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U.S. Secretary of State Shultz, who is visiting Israel this week en route to the Soviet Union, is seen here on his last visit to Russia chatting with Refusenik Vladimir Slepak. [RNS photo]

Result of free trade

Jewish goods cheaper?

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —

The proposed Canada-U.S. free trade deal could result in reduced prices for some Jewish products being imported from south of the border, say Jewish businessmen.

(See also story on page 4.)

The removal of duties on items such as Jewish greeting cards, toys, music cassettes, and kosher foods, wines and spirits and some religious articles could eventually lower prices as much as 30% in some cases.

The prices of other items such as Jewish books, prayer shawls, religious posters and pictures from the U.S. are likely to be unaffected since Canadian importers already pay no duty.

Morty Kaplan, co-owner and manager of Negev Bookstore, said prices should come down if duties are removed.

Negev, which sells Judaica books and giftware, pays 13% duty on U.S.-made items such as greeting cards, children's games, Chanukah menorahs, seder trays, Israeli-type giftware and Jewish music tapes and records.

If the duties were removed, prices could drop by as much as 13%, speculated Kaplan whose store imports about half its goods from the U.S.

Barney Barenholtz, owner and president of Kofman-Barenholtz Foods Ltd., a major importer of kosher foods, said his company usually pays duties ranging from 5% to 17.5% on kosher foods such as ketchup, sauces and gefilte fish from the U.S.

Only during Passover is the duty waived on certain foods not manufactured in Canada.

Hopefully, Barenholtz said, prices will be reduced if duties are removed year-round. But he warned U.S. manufacturers could raise their prices in response to the reductions, so Canadians might not save anything at all.

Saul White, senior wine consultant at the Ontario Liquor Control Board's store in Lawrence Plaza, said reductions in prices of kosher wines and spirits from the U.S. would depend on whether the Ontario government relaxes its protection of Ontario's wine market.

The Ontario government currently sets a bottom price on all imports. For example, the bottom price for a 750 ml. bottle of wine is $4.90, said White, whose store stocks the widest selection of kosher wines and spirits in Ontario.

If the provincial government's restrictions continue, expensive U.S. wines and spirits in general may drop in price by as much as 25% to 30%, while cheaper bottles may remain more or less unaffected.

Kosher wines are likely to be less affected since most are already brought into the country at reduced rates. Prices are low because U.S. suppliers are trying to break into the Canadian market.

If the federal duty and sales tax as well as provincial restrictions are removed, some U.S.-made wines — both kosher and non-kosher — could drop by as much as 30% to as low as $5 per 1.5 litres on par with equivalent U.S. prices, speculated White who stressed he was stating a personal opinion and not government policy.

Ontario would also likely lose its 180 growers and more than a dozen wine producers who would be unable to compete, he added.

Izzy Kaplan, owner and president of Israel's The Judaica Centre, said he doesn't know yet what effect the Canada-U.S. accord will have on his business which sells Jewish books and religious articles.

"We haven't heard anything from customs yet, besides which the deal really isn't set yet," said Kaplan, who is Morty Kaplan's younger brother.

Shultz will seek new moves on peace

By
WOLF BLITZER
& JTA

WASHINGTON —

Secretary of State George Shultz says he will try to get the Arab-Israeli peace process moving again during his upcoming visit to the Middle East and the Soviet Union. "I have a few ideas," he said.

The secretary added that he will "kind of dig in and see if there isn't some way that we can get the peace process moving. Everybody wants to move it, and yet we can't seem to figure out the key to get it going. So I'm going to look around and see if I can find a key."

Appearing on ABC's Good Morning America television program, the secretary said he plans to include a stopover in Saudi Arabia for talks with King Fahd during the journey. He is also slated to visit Israel and Egypt. He will meet with Jordan's King Hussein in London. He does not plan to visit Syria. (He is scheduled to be in Israel Oct. 15-16.)

Shultz, who did not spell out his new ideas for advancing the peace process, said: "It's not that I have some dramatic thing. But I think sometimes when you sit down and really visit with people and try to find out what is bothering them, and what they really want to get, and sort of talk through that, and look at the full range of objectives that they have, that sometimes you can find a way."

Asked whether he would pressure Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir to accept an international conference as a way to achieve direct negotiations, Shultz replied: "It's not a question of pressure; it's a question of what's the problem, and how do we solve the problem, and we want to do it together with all of the leaders there."

But other U.S. officials said that a major purpose of Shultz's trip to the region was to try to show Shamir and his Likud party associates that an international conference need not necessarily pose a serious risk to Israeli interests.

They said that Shultz's new ideas involved some specific formulas for trying to ease Shamir's concerns. But they were by no means confident that the secretary would succeed.

Asked whether he was optimistic about achieving some diplomatic progress, Shultz said: "Oh, you can't be optimistic with the long time that it takes, but you just have to keep working on small probabilities in the hope that sometime you'll break through."

U.S. officials said that Shultz was strongly encouraged to undertake the Middle East trip by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who was in the U.S. for two weeks attending the opening session of the UN General Assembly (CJN Oct. 8).

They said the secretary has come to agree with

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Peres, Likud disagree again

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

More in sorrow than in anger, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres chided Likud ministers who criticized him for purportedly asking the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations in the United States to support his call for an international conference on the Middle East.

At the weekly cabinet session, Peres made no mention of his address to the Presidents' Conference and limited his report to the talks he held with the foreign ministers of 17 countries and with United States administration leaders.

Following Peres's presentation, Housing Minister David Levy and Minister-without-Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i accused Peres of breaking a long-standing national consensus by asking Diaspora Jewry to take a stand on an issue over which political opinions in Israel were divided.

Replying to these and other comments, Peres said testily that his critics had blamed him without checking what he had actually said in his address. His critics, he said, violated the convention requiring politi-

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Stay tuned...

Because of the Jewish holidays and the Thanksgiving holiday, this edition of The CJN went to press earlier than usual. So whatever big news has occurred over the holiday period will be covered in the Oct. 22 issue.

As they say in radio . . . Stay Tuned. We bring you the news as fast as is humanly possible for a weekly publication.

Hate crimes bill passes in U.S.

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

A "hate crimes" bill that would impose federal criminal penalties for damage to religious property and injury to persons in the free exercise of their religious beliefs has been approved by the House on a voice vote.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Dan Glickman, provides for fines up to $250,000 and/or imprisonment for anyone who causes $10,000 or more damage to a church, synagogue, religious cemetery or other religious real property or causes serious bodily injury to a person trying to exercise his religious beliefs.

The House passed a similar bill introduced by Glickson last year. But David Brody, Washington representative of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith who worked closely with the Congressional committees that drafted the legislation, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that several changes were made.

He said the earlier bill made any damage to a religious property a federal offence. But it was decided that the federal government should only be brought in for a major offence causing at least $10,000 in damages, rather than desecrations

Uruguayan Jews confront Soviet

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze mingled with and spoke to more than 1,000 Uruguayan Jews demonstrating outside the Soviet embassy in Montevideo last week demanding full rights for Jews in the USSR, it was reported here from the Uruguayan capital.

Shevardnadze assured them that his country has adopted a more liberal policy toward Soviet Jews, including freer emigration. He also held a street dialogue for 15 minutes with the president of the Central Committee of Uruguayan Jews, Pedro Sclossky, according to Seymour Reich, international president of B'nai B'rith.

Reich commended the Jewish community in Montevideo for its strong demonstration of concern for Soviet Jewry. It apparently prompted the unusual response by Shevardnadze. Ranking Soviet officials rarely, if ever, have direct personal contact with human rights demonstrators.

According to Reich's report, Shevardnadze assured the crowd of his "firm resolve to solve the problem of Soviet Jewish emigration" and invited Uruguayan Jewish leaders to visit the Soviet Union to see for themselves.

He reportedly told Sclossky that exit visas would be granted to Jews except in cases where national security was involved. Sclossky replied that the security argument was invalid and pressed for the right of Jews to practice their religion and culture in the USSR.

Indians refuse Israeli prof visa

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

The Indian government has refused to grant a visa to Hebrew University Prof. Shlomo Avineri, who has been invited by one of India's most prestigious "think tanks" to participate in a conference on Soviet bloc developments in December.

Avineri, an expert on Marx and Communist theory and one of Israel's leading Sovietologists, said he received his invitation a year ago from the Indian School of Political Economy. He said he has since received many inquiries from the school about the paper he was to present at the conference.

He said he would inform other prospective participants of the Indian government's refusal and expected that some would decide to boycott the meeting. Avineri served for a time as director general of the foreign ministry under Shimon Peres.

Israel economy set to grow

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israel's economy, stagnant for years, appears to be on the verge of a new period of growth. But it faces severe difficulties, indicated by figures released last week by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

The country's imports are up and so is its foreign debt, while its foreign currency reserves have dipped for the second consecutive month, after a long period of rise.

During the first nine months of 1987, Israel paid some $8.25 billion for imported goods — $1.5 billion more than in the same period of 1986. The level of imports this year has been higher than in any year from 1980-85. It includes all variety of goods. But the highest rise was in the import of consumer products, up 36% over last year.

The Bank of Israel announced that the foreign debt now stands at $25.7 billion, an increase of $693 million. Theoretically, every Israeli owes more than $5,000 in foreign debt.

Economists attributed the increase of the foreign debt to the rise in private loans taken overseas and the weakening of the U.S. dollar against European and Japanese currencies. The Israeli shekel is geared to the dollar.

World-National

Wannsee Conference film chills

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Wannsee is a small lake located at the outskirts of Berlin. I don't know what its "social location" is nowadays, but in the Hitler and pre-Hitler era it was a swanky suburb where the great and mighty had their beautiful homes. It was also, on Jan. 20, 1942, the locale of a fateful meeting.

Rabbi Plaut

On that day a small group of top Nazi officials assembled at one of the residences (which had been taken over by the government!) to lay detailed plans for the extermination of the Jews. They met in a convivial atmosphere, with drinks and lunch served elegantly, and distributed responsibilities, made estimates, discussed difficulties, and never lost sight of the main objective: at the end of their operation not a single Jew would be left alive in all of Europe, including England, which they hoped would by then also have been conquered by the reich.

What brought the meeting about was a letter from Marshal Hermann Goering, Hitler's second-in-command, to Reinhard Heydrich, chief of Germany's security services. In that letter Goering instructed Heydrich: "I hereby authorize you to initiate the preparations regarding the organization, actual and material concerns necessary for the Final Solution of the Jewish Question . . ."

Grips viewers

Heydrich was a capable, charismatic man who had ambitions to replace not only his immediate boss, Heinrich Himmler, but also the fuehrer himself. He assembled a team of civil servants who could be relied upon to carry out the plan, which envisaged the slaughter of 11 million Jews. Key person in the execution of the project was a man by the name of Adolf Eichmann.

A transcript exists which preserves the highlights and conclusions of this meeting, though it does not convey the mood of the participants, their banter, and their personal reactions to the monstrous task before them — made more monstrous because the planners approached it in good humor and with that attention to factual detail for which they were famous. I myself tried to capture something of the imagined atmosphere of that meeting when I wrote a special chapter about it in my novel, *The Letter*, but now the scene has been brought to the screen and has thereby given the meeting an immediacy which no written word could provide.

It is a powerful movie which by its very casualness grips the viewer with unusual force. There are no horror scenes to be witnessed, only the cold, almost off-hand calculations by 14 men how to dispatch 11 million human beings, and leave no trace of their action behind.

Stark impact

The film was made in Germany for Germans, but its power has quickly travelled across international boundaries, and crossed faith and age lines as well. When I went to a preview some weeks ago I fully expected the theatre to be filled primarily with Jews, especially older Jews who have the memory of those dreadful years burned into their souls. But no, the theatregoers — on a rainy Sunday morning — were mostly young people, and quite clearly the majority were not Jews. The language of the film was German, the dubbing (a very good dubbing at that) was English, and the impact simply and starkly human. When it was all over, they walked out in silence.

I know that there are some of my readers who feel they cannot abide "another Shoah picture." However, Wannsee Conference breaks the mold. It is nothing more than the recreation of a meeting that (like the film which tries to capture reality in every detail) lasted an hour-and-a-half. It is gripping drama at its best, for it portrays with rare power the "banality of evil" as Hannah Arendt called it. Just talk, with bits of inter-office rivalries and a few sexual innuendos thrown in. But unseen, yet present in the mind of every viewer, are the consequences.

The film **must** be seen. (It opens in Toronto on Nov. 6, at the Carlton Cinemas.)

Book on CIA's Casey contends:

Israel had access to restricted data

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

William Casey, the late director of the Central Intelligence Agency, was a great admirer of the Israeli intelligence services and for a time even provided them with "almost unlimited" access to previously restricted U.S. satellite reconnaissance photography, according to a new book on the CIA written by Washington Post editor Bob Woodward.

The book, entitled *VEIL: The Secret Wars of the CIA*, says that Casey overruled the number two man in the CIA, Bobby Inman, by authorizing U.S. intelligence for Israel, including information that helped Israel destroy Iraq's nuclear reactor on June 7, 1981.

Immediately after the air strike, Inman "checked and found that, under the intelligence-sharing arrangement set up with Casey's approval, Israel had almost unlimited access to U.S. satellite photography and had used it in planning their raid."

Inman, the book continues, opposed this policy. He "didn't see how the United States could maintain any balanced policy if Israel was permitted to drop bombs all over the Middle East using American intelligence. He quickly created new rules by which Israel could get photos and other sensitive intelligence only for defence. Israeli access would be restricted to photos of those countries that posed an immediate threat or were on Israel's border. Baghdad was 500 miles away and off the list."

According to the book, Casey "went along" with the new restrictions but the CIA director "was pleased that the Israelis had disposed of the [Iraqi] problem, and he admired their audacity. When the White House expressed shock and imposed sanctions on Israel, withholding delivery of several F-16s, Casey felt it might be a necessary diplomatic and political gesture, but privately he called it 'bullshit.'"

Woodward, who had nearly 50 interviews with Casey in recent years as well as access to numerous other CIA officials and documents, reports that the Mossad, the Israeli intelligence service, had explored the possibility of a sabotage operation to destroy the reactor, "but the air strike was, correctly, determined to involve less risk for both Israelis and Iraqis."

Casey, the book says, saw that Israeli intelligence had "a special hurdle of skepticism" to overcome among CIA professionals.

"Before 1974," the book says, "the celebrated CIA chief of counterintelligence, James Jesus Angleton, had run the Israeli desk at the agency, keeping vital information from the Middle East operations people and analysts. Even after Angleton was fired, all Israeli intelligence was for years viewed as little more than a Mossad press release, designed to serve Israel's political goals."

But the book suggests that the Mossad, "in fact, had some good human sources in three places of vital significance — Lebanon, Syria and the Soviet Union. Casey had to work to make Mossad credible."

The book also notes that in "some important respects, Israel was more sinned against in intelligence matters." It points out, for example, that the CIA had had secret PLO sources that "at times provided operational details about PLO attacks in Israel."

The CIA's directorate of operations "had convinced Casey that such information could not be passed to the Israelis, because the sources would dry up. It was a tough game, and Casey admired the way Israel accepted the rules: sources had to be protected at all costs. They were very sophisticated about this; they realized that an ally could not give everything."

Thus, the book says that Robert Ames, a top CIA agent and expert on the Middle East who was killed in the April 1983 bombing of the U.S. embassy in Beirut, had "been the first to make a real penetration into the PLO for the CIA."

In the 1970s while assigned to the CIA station in Beirut, Ames, the book adds, personally recruited Ali Hassan Salameh, the security chief of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, codenamed "the Red Prince" by Israeli intelligence.

It was Salameh who was responsible for planning the massacre of Israeli sportsmen at the 1972 Munich Olympics. Salameh, the book says, was believed to have been killed by the Mossad in a 1979 car bombing.

According to the book, Casey established a special relationship with the head of Israeli military intelligence, Major-General Yehoshua Saguy. "Saguy understood the West, Casey felt Saguy could be trusted, and they agreed that if there ever was a need for something special they would deal directly with each other," according to Woodward.

Other Israeli-related disclosures contained in the book:

• Casey joined then Secretary of State Alexander Haig in siding with Israeli Defence Minister Ariel Sharon's position that Israel and the U.S. should provide financial and intelligence support to Bashir Gemayel, the Phalange leader in Lebanon. According to the book, Gemayel, in the early 1970s, had been recruited as a paid CIA informant.

"Casey appreciated Sharon's style, seeing him as both an activist and a thinker, a man who had a sense of his country's vulnerability and its destiny," Woodward writes.

• Despite repeated Israeli denials, Israeli intelligence provided support to the Contra rebels in Nicaragua as a favor to Casey. Israel was "suitably grateful" to Casey for his support, the book says. Israel's "intelligence agencies were always on the lookout for cost-effective favors that might be returned to Casey and the U.S.," Woodward writes.

Concerned with world poverty

New Jewish group formed

OTTAWA —

An organization has been created to provide a Canadian Jewish response to world poverty.

The new national Jewish agency, with its mailing address in the Ottawa Jewish Community Centre, is called the Jewish Association for Development (also known as JAD/Canada) and its national coordinator is Michael Rosberg. Its goal is to support social and economic development in the Third World.

Rosberg said JAD grew out of a meeting of 20 "interested individuals and community leaders" held in Larrimac, Que., this past summer. Its intention is to "enable Canadian Jews to get involved in all stages of development projects, from fund raising at home to work in the field.

"At least initially, priority will be given to activities in support of small industry, agricultural production and refugee settlement. Projects will be located in Third World countries in Latin America, Asia and Africa."

Rosberg stressed that "this initiative is not expected to divert funds from other important Jewish causes. We have, for this reason, already met with the major national Jewish organizations to present the idea and discuss its operations."

An interim executive has been working since January in collaboration with a "small but growing nucleus" of supporting members, he said. The three interim directors are Alan Maslove, of Carleton University's School of Public Administration, Paul Puritt, international program officer with the Canadian Labor Congress, and Rosberg, program manager for Latin America with the Cooperative Union of Canada. (At this point, JAD functions on a purely volunteer basis with no budget or overhead).

While the headquarters of JAD/Canada will be in Ottawa, Rosberg was emphatic about its national character. "JAD/Canada intends to support development efforts of local communities in the Third World by linking them to local Jewish organizations across Canada, whether they be youth groups on campus, synagogue social action committees, women's groups, community councils, or just dedicated groups that have formed themselves expressly for this purpose."

The national office will find projects and offer supporting services, but "it will largely be up to local groups in Canada to fund and manage both development projects overseas and education programs at home."

Jewish communities in the Third World are being asked to identify projects, monitor activities and, where possible, help provide technical or financial resources.

It is also envisioned that Israel may eventually become a partner with JAD/Canada, particularly through its technical expertise in such fields as dry lands agriculture and refugee settlement.

JAD/Canada is planning to convene a national meeting early in 1988 for the purpose of adopting its constitution and electing its first board of directors. It is hoped that major Jewish communities and organizations, which have already been approached on this initiative, will be represented on the board.

For more information, contact JAD/Canada either at 151 Chapel St., Ottawa K1N 7Y2 or (613) 235-8238.

Timing incorrect in mayor's story

OTTAWA —

The time factor in the story regarding the Jewish Community Council's meetings with Mayor James Durrell concerning the city of Ottawa's Mayors of the World conference was incorrect (CJN Oct. 1).

Council chairman Stephen Victor says that the committee met with Durrell last March at which time he offered to include Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek as a speaker if Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat would come as Israel's official representative.

A month later, Victor says, "we made it clear to him that the compromise was unacceptable to Israel and to us."

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Satellite system can cut travel costs

High-tech to help organizations communicate

NEW YORK —

A new television system using state-of-the-art communications technology to transmit live programming for Jewish organizations, agencies and institutions and their affiliates in the United States, Canada and abroad has been unveiled.

The Jewish Satellite Network is a new service utilizing communications satellites to enable Jewish organizations to deliver live broadcasts to their branches, offices, schools or synagogues.

A key feature is the opportunity for "interactive participation" by which those watching the telecast can ask questions, make comments and otherwise participate fully in the program regardless of where they may be located.

The system, which was announced at a news conference here, has virtually unlimited uses, say its organizers. Among its applications are long-distance press conferences, closed-circuit cultural, educational and training programs and virtually any other kind of activity designed to link geographically distant people and places.

"The savings in travel costs alone will far exceed the expense of installing the system," said Meir Amit, former Israeli minister of communications who is a principal of the firm.

CJF communications director Frank Strauss agreed, saying "It's really a vehicle for eliminating a lot of travel and time spent in travel, and bridging the communications gap that exists between CJF and federations and between federations themselves."

Depending on local site conditions, the one-time cost of a satellite hookup is $4,000 (U.S.) for a "dish," including equipment and installation.

There is a $5,000 transmission charge per hour for use of Jewish Satellite Network facilities for domestic programming, divided by the number of outlets that receive the program. Thus, a 1-hour training session beamed from New York, for example, to 25 cities around the country would cost each receiving community $200.

The transmission cost is $12,000 if the program originates overseas, requiring the use of an international satellite. A briefing by a top Israeli official to 40 communities in the U.S. and Canada would thus cost $300 per community.

The Council of Jewish Federations is the first Jewish organization to set up its own in-house system through the Jewish Satellite Network. Known as the CJF Satellite Network, the system already has 23 local Jewish federations including Toronto and Montreal as subscribers, with a dozen others actively considering joining.

The World Zionist Organization, through its information department, headed by Uzi Narkiss, is a charter member of the Jewish Satellite Network and will use the system to provide programs to Zionist and other organizations throughout the world, says Lee Hanna, a former director of news for NBC, who is another principal of the firm.

The parent company, International Satellite Network Corp., is also installing a satellite network for the Israeli foreign ministry to connect its embassy in Washington with Jerusalem and with Israel's consulates throughout the U.S.

The Jewish Satellite Network is a wholly owned subsidiary of the International Satellite Networks Corp., with offices in Tel Aviv, Paris and New York. Principals in the firm, in addition to Amit and Lee Hanna, are Edward Hanna, a former executive producer of Bill Moyers' Journal on PBS, and Hesi Carmel, former consul-general of Israel in Los Angeles.

Directors of ISN are: Amit, Carmel, Lee Hanna, Rebecka Belldegrun, managing director of Lapo Realty of Washington, Poju Zabludowicz, director of Pocal Industries, and Ponchitta Pierce, television host and producer.

Under the Jewish Satellite Network system, programs originate either in an "anchor studio" or at any other location through the use of a mobile television unit. Programs are transmitted to a satellite in orbit around the globe, where the signal is then retransmitted in scrambled form back to earth.

It is then picked up and "decoded" by receiving dishes located on the premises of organizations in the Jewish Satellite Network, it was explained by Lee Hanna.

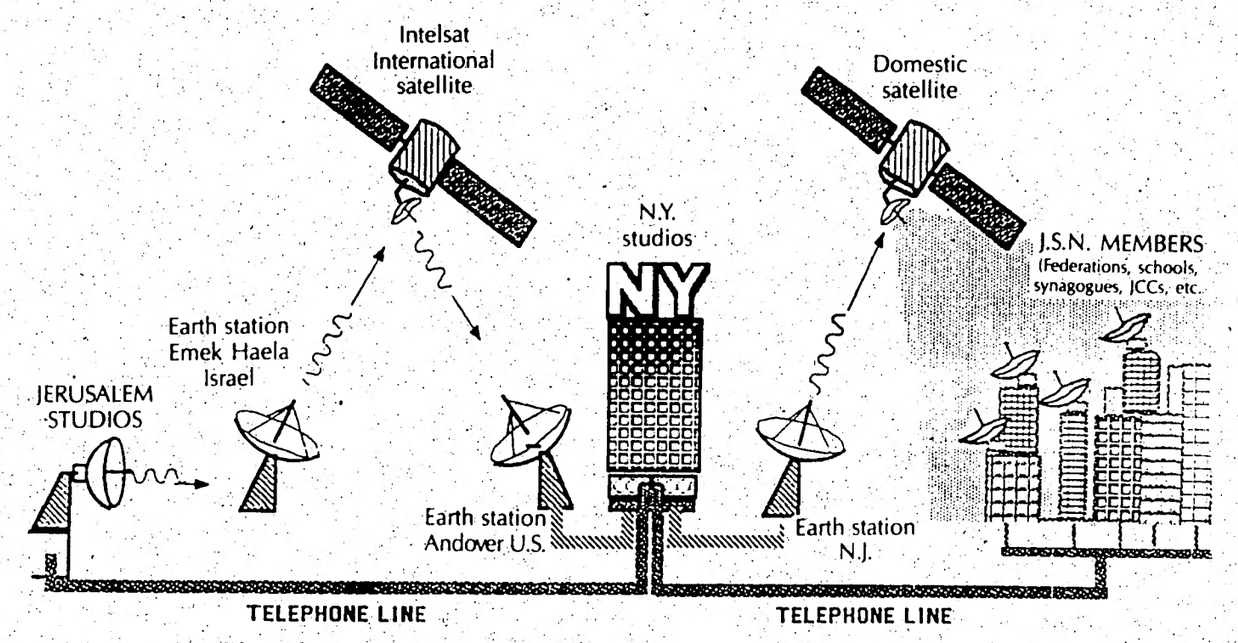
The program is viewed in the organization's facilities, such as a conference room, meeting room, or auditorium. The picture and sound are received on standard television monitors which are hooked up by cable to the dish, he said.

If the size of the audience warrants it, the program can be fed to a large-screen projector television set or to a projector that beams the program to one or more movie screens. The programs can also be recorded on a video cassette recorder for later playback.

In addition to supplying its affiliates with the operational and technical services, the Jewish Satellite Network plans to produce programs of interest to the Jewish community generally and to provide them to its affiliated networks, Edward Hanna told the news conference.

The Jewish Satellite Network utilizes an 800 telephone number, allowing viewers in any location to address questions and comments to the principals at the point of program origin.

Live interaction, such as the question of an official in Jerusalem by an organization's leaders or news reporters in North America "offers a unique opportunity for improving direct communications, regardless of location or distance," Carmel said.



For international broadcast, program originating in Jerusalem or other overseas location is beamed to nearby earth station which transmits signal to international satellite. Signal is picked up by earth station in U.S. and sent by microwave or satellite transmission to New York studio where it is decoded and retransmitted via domestic satellite to receiving dishes of local Jewish Satellite Network subscribers.

Jewish life panorama in 1990

Show to tour N. America

OTTAWA —

A Coat of Many Colours, a major exhibition celebrating the rich and diverse contributions of the Jewish community to Canadian society during the past 200 years, is slated to have its premiere debut at the new Canadian Museum of Civilization in Hull, Que., from April to September, 1990.

The exhibition is then scheduled to tour North America for two years and go on to Beth Hatefutsoth — The Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv.

The exhibition was to have opened at the McCord Museum in Montreal, which was involved in the early stages of the project, but the venue was changed because the McCord is undergoing expansion, said project consultant Brenda Berck. If the work on the McCord is completed in time, it is hoped A Coat of Many Colours will close its Canadian tour there.

Andrea Bronfman, national co-chairman of the Canadian Friends of Beth Hatefutsoth, and George MacDonald, director of the Canadian Museum of Civilization, signed an agreement last month committing their organizations to the production of A Coat of Many Colours. It will be among the first exhibitions presented in the new museum.

A panorama of Jewish life in Canada, starting with the first Jewish fur traders and settlers will be displayed. Visitors to the exhibition will see the many areas in which the Jewish community has helped shape Canadian society as a whole and how, in turn, the Canadian environment has influenced Jewish life.

A Coat of Many Colours will tell the stories, not just of the rich and the famous, but of ordinary Jewish Canadians — the workers who helped build the Canadian Pacific Railway or the farm families on the Prairies who coped with the Depression, for example.

Research for A Coat of Many Colours is being conducted nationwide. The Canadian Jewish artifacts selected for the exhibition range from everyday objects, like enamelware pots, to the rare and exquisite, such as silver samovars and hammered-copper candelabra.

The museum's curator, Stephen Inglis, will be working on the project with Sandra Morton Weizman, who has moved to Ottawa. They will be completing the search for artifacts.

John Vollmer, former curator at the Royal Ontario Museum and at Calgary's Glenbow Museum, is to replace Berck as project consultant. Vollmer was coordinating curator of the Precious Legacy exhibit during its Canadian tour. Berck will remain involved in the project as a member of the project's coordinating committee.

The exhibition's title derives from the biblical story of Jacob who, as a token of his love, made his son Joseph a long, colorful coat.

Anti-Zionism resolution reversal seen with time

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Vernon Walters, the United States ambassador to the United Nations, expressed optimism last week that efforts to rescind the 1975 UN General Assembly resolution equating Zionism with racism will eventually be successful.

But he made it clear that more time is needed to achieve this goal.

Speaking with reporters at the Pierre Hotel, where he was attending the annual dinner of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, Walters said: "I don't believe that we can rescind that infamous resolution today — but we are certainly on our way." He likened the resolution to apartheid, stating: "This is a form of apartheid by itself."

Walters said that he sent this year, as he did last year, a letter to UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar protesting the anti-Zionist resolution and demanding that it be abolished.

In his recent speech before the UN General Assembly, President Reagan sharply denounced the resolution.

Henry Ford II lauded for defying Arab boycott

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

Henry Ford II, who died of pneumonia at age 70 recently in Detroit, set an outstanding pro-Israel example for American industry and commerce in 1975 by defying the Arab League's boycott and establishing a truck production plant in Israel.

In 1980, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith gave him its Heritage Award for "his genius in building America and his consummate sense of responsibility for the welfare of his fellow man." Ford won recognition for his contributions to social progress and his support of Detroit's Renaissance Centre.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Since the Talmud calls the Yom Tov Shavuoth, Atzeres, and we are approaching another Yom Tov whose name is Shemini Atzeres, I wonder: Is there a relationship beween the two?

The use of the word Atzeres for Shavu'os occurs in the Mishnah, Seder Zera'im, Tractate Shevi'is, Chapter 1:1. Right on the printed page, in a gloss known as Tosfos Anshe Shem, there is a discussion of this problem, and while a relationship with Shemini Atzeres is hinted, an opposite view is also given, namely, that for the Talmud, it is the Targum for Shavuoth.

Rabbi Burak

Some scholars have seen a very real connection between the two uses of the same word, based on a careful study of our duty to rejoice in our religious festivals. The Torah bids us rejoice on the great days of our faith.

In Deuteronomy, Chapter 16:14-15, this is the way we are told to celebrate Succoth: "And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, and the Levite, and the stranger . . . Seven days shalt thou keep a feast . . . and thou shalt be altogether joyful."

Should you wonder why nothing is said about the man's wife; and should you feel that it is passing strange that our text should say, "thou and thy son, and thy daughter," and not say, thou and thy wife, the answer is very simple. In Judaism, there is no possibility of joy without a wife. Adam, in the Garden of Eden, was a lonely, unhappy man, until Hashem gave him a wife.

The laws of our faith prohibit marriage on the intermediate days of the feast, the days of Chol ha-Mo'ed, on the basis that the happy bridegroom would be rejoicing in his bride, and not "rejoicing in the feast." So, on Yom Tov, we rejoice with the special significance of the day. On Passover, we relive the moment of redemption when we became free men.

On Shavuoth, we celebrate the giving of the Torah. But, does it tell us in the Torah to celebrate that day as the day when we were given the Ten Commandments along with another 613 mitzvos? It does not. And the Sefer Chamudei Zvi wants to know why this isn't even mentioned.

His answer is that our fathers were not exactly happy on that day. The Bible tells us that there was thunder and lightning, fire and smoke, the mountain quaked, and the people trembled. The Talmud, in Tractate Shabbas, 88a, tells us that the mountain was lifted over their heads, and the message was: take the Torah, or perish.

So, the people accepted the Torah, but there was no joy. After all, the way the Sages explains it, it seems that no other nation was prepared to accept the Torah. Should the Jews have been happy to take that which nobody else wanted? That and the element of duress made for a postponement in all rejoicing.

It took centuries of study to bring the people an understanding of the treasure that had been given them in that Torah which would bind earth and high heaven into a single continuum. So, the joy was put off. Because of this postponement, the time to celebrate became identified with the time when the reading cycle of the Torah is completed on Shemini Atzeres-Simchat Torah.

Atzeres means delay, and holding back, and on Shavuoth the joy was held back. On Shemini Atzeres-Simchat Torah there is no holding back the joy of a people in its most precious possession, the Torah.

How do we know that atzeres means delay? Atzeres is a noun. The verb is atzar, meaning to hold back. Let there be no holding back in rejoicing with the Torah.

Netanyahu to step down as UN envoy in 1988

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —

Binyamin Netanyahu, Israel's ambassador to the United Nations since July, 1984, has confirmed that he will leave that post when his term expires in June, 1988.

He said he does not intend to renew his contract with the Israel foreign ministry and would probably leave the foreign service. He stressed, however, that, contrary to various reports, he is not interested in the dual chairmanship of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives, to be vacated by Leon Dulzin, and will not be a candidate at the next World Zionist Congress.

Won't influence export duties

Israel unaffected by free trade pact

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —

The Canada-U.S. free trade accord is unlikely to have any effect on Canada-Israel trade, say government and Jewish spokesmen.

The proposed deal is also unlikely to affect duties on Israeli products sent to Canada via the U.S. because they will still have to be accompanied by certificates stating the country of origin. In Canada, duties must usually be paid on Israeli products.

However, Israeli trade commissioner Udi Sheintal says the accord could make it easier for Canada and Israel to pursue a free trade agreement in the future, although both sides will first have to "learn and digest" the Canada-U.S. agreement.

"We're going to have duty free trade with the U.S. and Canada is going to have duty free trade with the U.S.," Sheintal said in an interview last week. "I don't see why both of us (Canada and Israel) can't sit down together and see that products from Israel to Canada also go duty free."

Sheintal said the proposed Canada-U.S. free trade deal has similar operating principles and mechanisms to the Israel-U.S. agreement signed in September 1985. Such similarities could make Canadians more open to a free trade arrangement with Israel.

It appears both deals will include goods and services; similar health regulations for foods, plants and animals; similar rules of origin for products from foreign countries and a gradual lowering of duties, he said.

It also appears the deals will both have a non-binding dispute resolution mechanism for anti-dumping and countervailing duties.

And like Israel, Canada will probably not be exempted from U.S. protectionism, Sheintal said.

Differences in the two agreements appear to lie in the uniqueness of Israel and Canada's markets, he said.

For example, Israel's agreement provides for temporary measures to be taken in balance of payment problems. It also allows for the monitoring of trade with respect to kashruth observance.

Canada's accord will take into account the auto pact and Canada's need to subsidize grain transportation, he said.

Phil Granovsky, board chairman of the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce, disputed the possibility of a free trade arrangement with Israel and Canada.

"I don't think Canada would contemplate in the forseeable future a free trade deal with Israel because Canada has been so sensitive as to how it's perceived by the Arab countries."

Granovsky said Canada also does a great deal more business with the Arab countries than Israel. For example, Bell Canada is currently involved in a number of major installations in Saudi Arabia.

Tim Ralfe, communications advisor to International Trade Minister Pat Carney, said no thought has yet been given to a free trade deal between Canada and Israel.

"It's a bit soon because this one (between Canada and the U.S.) is not yet in place," Ralfe said in a telephone interview from Ottawa.

Trade between Canada and Israel may also not be large enough to consider a free trade deal, he said.

In the past Canada has preferred to pursue trade with countries such as Israel on a global rather than bilateral basis using the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), an international forum for trade dicussions, he said.

Ralfe said the Canada-U.S. free trade deal likely won't change anything in Canada-Israel trade relations.

"I don't think it would affect them," he said. "I think it's quite separate."

Granovsky also said based on what is presently known about the proposed Canada-U.S. deal, there will likely be no effect on trade between Canada and Israel.

Last year two-way trade between Canada and Israel totalled $257 million, according to Sheintal.

Canada — which has an annual two-way trade of about $180 billion with the U.S. — primarily exports raw materials such as barley, pulp, paper and various alloys as well as machinery and telecommunications systems to Israel. In return, the Jewish state sends Canada fresh and processed foods, precious stones, toys, optical frames, electronic equipment and other telecommunications systems.

Udi Sheintal

Israel — which already enjoys a preferred lower duty rate for exports to Canada under the General Preferential Tariffs scheme — would benefit from a free trade deal with Canada, said Sheintal.

Such an arrangement would give Israel better access to Canada's market and the removal of duties would give it a competitive edge over other countries trading with Canada, he said.

Canada would also benefit since its products are becoming less competitive in Israel's market because of the Jewish state's free trade deals with other countries.

Under Israel's free trade agreements, the European Economic Community's exports of industrial goods to Israel will be duty free by 1989. U.S. exports of industrial and agricultural goods and services to Israel will be duty free by 1995.

Although the Canada-U.S. free trade accord likely won't directly affect trade between Canada and Israel, Sheintal said there is a "possibility" both Israel and Canada may utilize their free trade relationships with the U.S. by forming companies there to export duty free products to each other's markets.

For example, an Israeli company could set up a subsidiary in the U.S. and bring in duty free unfinished Israeli products. It could then in its U.S. factory add enough work to qualify the product as U.S.-made. Under the Israel-U.S. free trade agreement, the added value must be at least 35%.

Such a product could then be exported to Canada duty free, he said.

In the meantime, Sheintal, who has already sent information about the Canada-U.S. accord to Israel, said Israeli officials will continue monitoring the North American free trade agreement, especially when it begins to take effect next year. They will then decide whether to approach Canadians for possible Canada-Israel free trade negotiations.

But prior to that, a special U.S.-Israel trade conference will be held from Oct. 18 to 20 in Washington where U.S. and Israeli business and political leaders will examine the advantages of the U.S.-Israel Free Trade Area Agreement.

The conference — entitled "The Free Trade Agreement: A Model for Cooperation — A Partnership for Growth" — will be co-hosted by U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter and Israel's Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon, according to a news release from the Israeli embassy in Washington.

For more information on the conference, call Richard Pollock, phone (202) 778-1090.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. On what day are willow branches beaten in the synagogue?
2. On what holiday is the prayer for rain recited?
3. On which festival are all children under the age of the bar mitzvah called for the reading of the Torah?

ANSWERS:

1. Hoshana Rabba (the 7th day of Succoth).
2. The 8th day of Succoth.
3. Simchat Torah ("rejoicing of the Torah")

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These questions and answers came from the book *6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People* by Edmund Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products, Downsview. Dr. Lipsitz would be pleased to receive your comments, or to consider your own Jewish quiz questions for inclusion in future columns. Write to him, c/o The Canadian Jewish News.

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Refusenik to be reunited with sister in Israel

Nudel's 16-year wait for exit visa now over

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
Ida Nudel's 16-year dream of living with her sister Ilana Fridman in Israel will soon become a reality.

Refuseniks' "guardian angel" told Jeanette Goldman, chairman of the Soviet Jewry committees of both the International and National Council of Jewish Women, before Yom Kippur that she had just received verbal permission from Rudolf Kuznetsov, head of the all-union OVIR (emigration) office in Moscow (CJN Oct. 8).

About one hour after getting the good news, Nudel told Goldman that she had phoned her sister but had been unable to get a telephone connection with Soviet Jewry groups in the United States.

Goldman, whose group telephones Refuseniks in the Moldavian towns of Bendery and Kishinev, said she called the home of Judith Ratner in Moscow because she'd been unable for several days to be connected with families in Bendery.

"I was surprised when Ida answered the phone."

On erev Yom Kippur, the Royak family — good friends of Nudel's in Bendery whom Goldman's group have adopted — was contacted by the OVIR office in Kishinev and asked, "Where is Nudel?" They refused to tell the officials who then said she should contact them as soon as possible because she had been granted permission. The Royaks contacted Nudel at Ratner's home and she in turn called Kuznetsov.

"She was stunned (by the news)... it was just unreserved joy. She told me she was going back to Bendery after Yom Kippur and prepare to leave."

Genya Intrator, chairman of the Inter-Religious Task Force on Human Rights, had spoken to Nudel several hours prior to the news at which point Ida voiced her concern over her lawsuit against the Soviet government "my illegal banishment from Moscow."

Nudel arrived in Moscow two days earlier and went to court to find out the time for her hearing only to discover that it had been postponed. Intrator said Nudel told her lawyer to pressure the authorities to set a new date as soon as possible because she felt "they wanted to drag it out because I'm an embarrassment to them."

Upon her release from four years of internal extile in Siberia in 1982 for malicious hooliganism (among other things, from her window she hung a banner saying "KGB, give me my visa to Israel"), she was not permitted to return to her co-op apartment in Moscow, which had been held in her name. She was forced to reside in the small Moldavian town of Bendery, the only place which would allow her to register as all Soviet citizens must.

In August, 23 Muscovite Refuseniks launched an appeal to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev on her behalf. It asked that he allow her to live in Moscow amongst her extended family of friends.

Nudel told Intrator this trip to Moscow (and her stay with Ratner) was prompted by three recent unsigned death threats from a woman, who contends that her daughter, influenced by Nudel, wants to emigrate to Israel.

The third letter, received on Sept. 9, said that the moment the girl crosses the border, the writer will kill Nudel.

Intrator's taped conversation shows Nudel's raw emotion.

"I was nervous about the letters but I decided not to burden my sister. The woman sounded very disturbed ... I was hoping she'd calm down.

"When I came home on Sept. 27, I noticed two cars parked in front of my house. When a man walking between the cars (which were full of people) saw me, he got into one of them. He pointed me out to a woman...

"I remembered the threatening letters and then made the connection. I decided not to keep it to myself any longer."

That's when she called her friends Ratner and Prof. Andrei Sakharov, whom Nudel says has been working diligently on her behalf. He spoke to a friend now residing in Israel who in turn told the Israeli press.

After Monday when she "was followed all day by a KGB car and later by a man on foot," Ratner and Sakharov both urged her to come to Moscow where she had to be in couple of days anyway for the trial.

During that early morning conversation with Intrator, Nudel also voiced her concern about two "hidden" Prisoners of Conscience, Leonid Lubman of Leningrad and Genady Blumin of Dnepropetrovsk.

Although Lubman, in his 11th year in prison, was initially charged with defaming the Soviet state, it was later changed to treason and espionage — the same charge as faced Natan Scharansky. Nudel said both parents were fearful of speaking out about the case and when this happens, the inmate is "virtually buried alive and is lost."

As for Blumin, Nudel contends that his 12-year sentence to labor camps for embezzlement — his co-conspirators were never tried — is only given out in cases of murder. She says he was given it because he's a Jew who's been in refusal since 1978. (His parents refuse to give their permission.) She and others — including Sakharov — are working to get amnesty for both.

It doesn't surprise Intrator that Nudel, who returned to Bendary after Yom Kippur, has told various sources that it will take her several weeks to put her papers in order.

"She wouldn't just leave. She'll see to it that people will continue to be looked after. She made me promise ... to bring up the cases of these new Prisoners of Conscience with other Soviet Jewish activists in our Western network."

Intrator noted that Nudel's selflessness is most recently exemplified by her desire for the Canadian Labor Congress delegation, which was in Moscow last week to attend the World Labor Congress, to meet with, and raise the cause of, the Ratner family instead of her. This message was passed along to Congress president Shirley Carr.

Ida Nudel

Some Soviet emigres trailblaze new route

MONTREAL —
Although there is no "institutionalized" direct flight to Israel via Bucharest, some Soviet Jews are trailblazing that emigration route.

Emigration figures for the month of September was 699 but had to be adjusted to 724 because some Refuseniks — among them Prisoner of Conscience Viktor Brailovsky — chose to go directly to Israel. The regular route is to Vienna, where some decide not to proceed to Israel.

Barbara Stern, chairman of the National Soviet Jewry Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, said in an interview that figures showing the number of immigrants from both jump off points will be released when available. To the end of September, the last date for which figures are available, emigration reached 5,423.

She said September was the second month that some Refuseniks, who feel strongly that those who leave the Soviet Union with an Israeli invitation should go there, have made a point by leaving via Bucharest.

In early summer, a group which included Prisoners of Conscience Mark Nepomniashchy and his son-in-law Yacov Levin, was the first in recent times to exit via that route.

"Perhaps they wanted to set a precedent," she said, adding that this trend may grow. As the route becomes more used, some agreement may be written but this depends upon "more regular relations between Israel and the Soviet Union."

Asked if some Refuseniks chose this route because it was faster (during the summer tourist season, emigrants waited as much as six weeks for airline tickets from Moscow and Leningrad), Stern said that at this time the holdup is not in travel arrangements but rather in getting their affairs in order.

"It's also saying goodbye to friends — the same as anyone who's leaving a place of residence after a long period." — W.R.

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TEL AVIV (JPFS) —
Direct flights between Yugoslavia and Israel are to begin by the end of the year, after Transport Minister Haim Corfu granted an operating licence to the Yugoslavian charter airline, Adria.

Adria is to operate one or two flights a week, starting Dec. 18, between Belgrade and Tel Aviv, according to the Yugoslav airline officials who recently arrived in Israel to conclude the negotiations. They added that they expect to bring 8,000 Yugoslavian tourists to Israel during their first year of operation.

The true importance of the agreement to the Israeli authorities, however, is not commercial, but diplomatic because it signifies the growing ties between the two countries and will give Israel direct air links with a second Eastern European capital, after Bucharest.

Corfu said he hoped this step — the first such agreement with Yugoslavia — would help lead to the normalization of relations between Jerusalem and Belgrade, which were broken off in 1967.

Though the agreement does not grant an Israeli carrier immediate reciprocal rights, El Al is to begin its flights to Belgrade in early 1988, the transport ministry announced.

Iranian Jews use Austria as gateway to the West

NEW YORK (JTA) —
In the first eight months of 1987, 1,483 Jews from Iran immigrated to the West through Austria, according to Austrian foreign minister Alois Mock.

In a press conference here Oct. 2, Mock disclosed that a total of 5,188 Iranian Jews immigrated via Austria between July 1, 1983 and August of this year.

—Mock stressed that his government is proceeding "without asking too many questions of the Iranian refugees and without publicizing individual cases" in order not to endanger the flow of Jewish immigrants from Iran in the future and the remaining relatives of those Jews who were able to leave Iran.

"It is Austria's consistent policy to help people in danger, wherever they are and whoever they are," Mock stated.

There are presently about 30,000 Jews in Iran and it is believed that most of them would emigrate to Israel and other countries in the West if they were allowed to do so by the Iranian authorities.

"Do we insure Chivas Regal?"

World-National

Former Refusenik blames Soviets for mother's death

Labor camp tribulations still haunt Zunshine

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
For Zachar Zunshine, life began at 36.

It is at that age that the former Refusenik and Prisoner of Conscience, here on a private visit, was released from a Soviet labor camp and later allowed to emigrate to Israel.

Last month, the former physics teacher was given special dispensation and allowed to enter the graduate political science program at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. He said he emigrated too late in the year to qualify at an Israeli institution or other school. (Students normally have to register in the spring — when he was still in the Soviet Union.)

Zunshine, who holds a Master's degree, says he's turning his life around because too much time has passed since he graduated in physics 15 years ago. He said six years — 3 years in a labor camp in Irkutsk (in eastern Siberia) on anti-Soviet propaganda charges — is too long a time to be out of a field that changes rapidly.

A high school teacher when he first applied to leave in 1981, Zunshine was "dismissed from the job without explanation" after attending a demonstration in June 1983. He was arrested nine months later at the second protest.

Asked why he's going back to school as student not teacher, he replied that "to achieve something of substance in this field you have to be young. When you're 36 and so many years out of it ... I'd only qualify for a low-profile position and I'm ambitious."

Zunshine said his interest in physics lessened sometime during his struggle to emigrate and he realized that law would be a suitable field into which he could channel his energies.

"I was always in a dilemma of what to do first — (achieve something in) physics or emigrate."

The former Refusenik said that although he never applied to leave until he was 30, he always knew he would. In fact, he told his bride-to-be Tanya, now 31, before their marriage in 1979 that "she had to understand and prepare herself to one day leave."

Before they applied, they moved to Riga from their hometown of Sverdlovsk (in the Urals) to protect their families from harassment by local KGB officials.

This move wasn't enough to shield his mother.

After six months, Zunshine's father had a talk with the labor camp warden, who said Zunshine had broken down, that he couldn't take being imprisoned. Meanwhile, Tanya had travelled by train from Riga to Sverdlovk to pick up his mother and go to the camp.

When Zunshine senior told his wife what the warden said "she had a heart attack in the street and died the next day.

"I destroyed my family, my sister fell ill because of the tragedy. The death of our mother though almost three years ago was a terrible psychological shock."

His sister, Genya Letshinsky, 33, and her family are in Vienna awaiting processing through emigration channels. His father has since remarried and is living in Moscow.

About six months before Zunshine's term expired, the KGB chief in Riga called Tanya, who quit her job as a computer programmer the day her husband was jailed to work on his release, "and told her 'Let's arrange a ceasefire."

She refused to stop her activities. One of the high points of her campaign occurred in the spring of 1986 when she passed along his message that prisoners are so poorly fed — "they'd eat anything that didn't sound or move" — when given the opportunity at a work site, inmates killed and ate dogs.

Protests were mounted. For instance, at the Aeroflot office in London, pickets walked dogs which carried placards reading 'Don't eat me" and in Bonn, demonstraters pushed dogs through the gates at the Soviet embassy.

"The Soviets are vulnerable to such pressure and these events get great coverage in the West. Because of these incidents, the KGB never forgave my wife."

Zunshine contends that Jews are not affected by glasnost. Towards the end of his term, he was called to the warden's office and given a telegram from Tanya. It said that the KGB would allow them to leave the country after his release.

A few hours later, he was summoned again to the office where two procurators suggested he write to the Praesidium of the Supreme Soviet to ask for a pardon.

"It was this gesture under which more than 100 political prisoners were released."

He refused to comply.

When permission finally came through, the KGB gave them three days to leave — one of which he spent on the train coming home. The KGB wanted Tanya to surrender her passport 1½ months before he was released but she wouldn't — she wanted to greet him at the gates.

"It wasn't a question of sufficient time — we were masters of the situation and decided to stay in the country until we had said goodbye to all our friends. We stayed two weeks and enjoyed a kind of diplomatic immunity."

During his incarceration, he contracted hepatitis from what he believes was an unsterilized needle used to extract blood during an examination after his six months in an internal camp prison. He spent more than a month in a prison camp hospital.

Over the 3-year period, he spent about six months in a punishment cell. "It was used to break me ... a type of physical torture."

Conditions in the regular labor camp were luxurious compared to the punishment cell, he said. Men slept on wooden planks without any bedding or heat even in subzero winter weather — "you can't sleep at night more than 10 or 20 minutes at a time. The only way to get warm is to run around. You get smaller quantities of food and then only every other day."

The former Refusenik, who stands 6 ft. 2, weighed 198 pounds before being imprisoned. After four months, his weight stabilized at 154 pounds — in other words, the diet was so poor that he lost almost ¼ of his total body weight.

Zuchar Zunshine

Since March, he has regained about 30 pounds.

Zunshine said several weeks ago he attended an international conference in Chautauqua, NY and in front of witnesses asked the Soviet delegate who is the justice minister whether the Soviet government is ready to let an international inspection team go into the camps as they've agreed to on-site inspection of their missile sites.

"He was embarrassed with the question ... he said there were no labor camps in the Soviet Union, only education facilities," Zunshine said, adding that "political prisoners are not more important to the Soviet system than missile sites so maybe one day they will open the camps."

He said recent releases of high-profile Refuseniks and the Jan. 1 emigration decree, which states that only those with a 1st-degree relation (defined as parents, children, siblings or spouse) can apply to emigrate, indicates that the Soviets are preparing to stop all emigration.

"About 400,000 Soviet Jews have indicated a desire to leave and have actually asked for an invitation from a relative in Israel. With this law, on one hand they're virtually preparing to stop anyone from applying as it is evident that most have no first-degree relative and having released the most prominent Refuseniks, I'm afraid the Soviets will say 'Look, there's no such thing as Refuseniks any more.' "

In noting his pleasure that some Jews, like Iosef Begun, who have waited more than 10 years to emigrate are finally being granted their wish, "when you think what would be the next step, it is not so hopeful. The Soviets ... have a law that would avoid the creation of any Refuseniks."

In calling the 1st-degree relative clause "inconsistent and arbitrary," he pointed to the fact that "we had no relatives in the West but we were allowed out after the law was enacted."

In calling for mounting more pressure, Zunshine said, "I survived those years only because of the tremendous support my case was given by the West. I think especially now (with an East-West summit brewing) the Soviets are vulnerable to pressure from the West...

"Now is the right time to exert more pressure on the Soviets because there still are many people desperately trying to leave the Soviet Union and although emigration levels are higher this year, they're nothing compared with 1979 (the last year of the mass exodus when 51,000 Jews left).

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

TARTICK — SHERESOV

There are places named after people (like Pennsylvania after William PENN) and people who are named after places, like ENGLANDER and BERLIN.

Sometimes you wonder which came first, the chicken or the egg.

I told my friend, Moe Tartick, that his name came from TARTAK — sawmill in Polish. It may, however, emanate from TARTAKOW, a Ukrainian village near Lvov.

Similarly, Sherreschaf may come from the Yiddish word for sheep-shearer. More likely, it derives from SZERESZOW, a shtetl near BREST LITOVSK.

Editor's note: In the Oct. 1 issue of this column discussing the name "Attar," we mistakenly referred to the name meaning a "piece dealer." That, of course, was incorrect. It should have been "spice dealer." We regret the typographical error.

Kfir sale permitted

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The United States will allow Israel to sell 14 of its Kfir jet fighter planes to Colombia — a $100 million deal — to help cushion the losses resulting from cancellation of the Lavi jet fighter-plane project, Israel Radio reported last week.

According to Israel Radio, Secretary of State George Shultz informed Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of the American decision at their meetings at the United Nations in New York last month.

The Kfir, the first supersonic combat aircraft designed and built in Israel, was the precursor of the Lavi, a more advanced, sophisticated plane. Because its engines and other components were manufactured in America, the U.S. could exercise veto power over Kfir sales to third countries.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Julius Streicher was hung for war crimes on Oct. 16, 1946. The death of the arch propagandist of mass anti-semitism may have been foretold in the Bible.

Schoolteacher Streicher, born in Swabia in 1885, was ousted from a number of schools for his outspoken anti-semitism. Streicher decided to found his own journal to exploit it. He became a pioneer in Nuremberg's Nazi party.

In May 1923, he published the first issue of Der Sturmer, a name, he told friends later, chosen in a moment of inspiration to symbolize his all-out campaign against Jews and Communists. The 4-page bulletin with few ads became by 1927 a thick racy tabloid selling 14,000 copies and boasting an actual readership many times that number. By late 1934, paid circulation jumped to 113,800; it was well over 500,000 by 1939.

Streicher started by accusing Nuremberg's Jews of causing corruption and unemployment. To attract wider readership, he turned to the popular standbys of sensation, sex and crime. Der Sturmer became the German schoolboy's clandestine equivalent of Playboy, according to biographer Randall Bytwer — except that the graphically described prostitution and homosexuality were blamed directly on the Jews. (Streicher kept his own private life, which rivalled any newspaper expose, out of print.)

Cartoons obscene

Remembering his pedagogy, Streicher developed a punchy style with short sentences, basic vocabulary, and no qualifiers. It became the favorite of laborers, factory workers, and farmers. In 1925, Streicher hired itinerant illustrator Philippe Ruprecht. Under the pen name FIPS, he filled the next 20 years of issues with the obscene cartoons that became the paper's trademark.

Der Sturmer held a morbid fascination for its victims, as well. Streicher claimed that Jews had helped the paper financially by buying it. In 1925, Nuremberg's (Jewish) journal Licht Verlag condemned the "large numbers of citizens of the Jewish faith who buy Der Sturmer and then take it home concealed in a copy of the 8-Uhr Blatt or the Morgenpresse."

Nazi bigwigs praised the paper, not only because it was under their support and control. They found it fascinating. Hitler, according to an interview, "was simply on thorns to see each new issue . . . it was the one periodical that he always read with pleasure, from the first page to the last." Fellow propagandist Joseph Goebbels, intellectual and aloof, admired Streicher's ability to reach the common people.

In the 30s, Der Sturmer had a Jew on its staff. Streicher said he paid him handsomely, but never shook his hand.

Headlines incite

The paper's rampant billboard-sized display cases carried banners like "The Jews are our misfortune" and "German women and girls: the Jews are your destruction." Special supplements, often coinciding with the mass Nazi rallies in Nuremberg, carried extensive national advertising, and reached print runs of 2 million copies. Themes included ritual murder, Jewish criminality, the world Jewish conspiracy, and Jewish sex crimes. A leading Nazi commented: "Der Sturmer has made clear to the people the danger of Jewry. Without it, the importance of a solution to the Jewish question would not appear as critical as it is."

The shaved-headed, brutal-looking Streicher, who helped organize an economic boycott of the Jews and the national kristallnacht pogrom, came to demand their total destruction.

He was arrested by the Allies after World War II. Tried in Nuremberg, he was found guilty of war crimes.

Recent computer-assisted biblical studies in at the Technion focus on the Jewish queen's apparently redundant plea to her king in the book of Esther: "And let Haman's 10 sons be hanged upon the gallows." They were already hanged by the time she said it. The three letters taf, shin and zayin highlighted — by being written smaller than the other letters — in the list of Haman's sons spell out the year 1946 in the Gregorian calendar, researchers point out.

As the noose was being tightened around his neck, Streicher — one of 10 Nazis to be hung on that second day of Succoth — blurted out: "Purimfest, 1946!"

Sex therapist served in Haganah

Dr. Ruth: the Israeli connection

By
MARSHALL KRANTZ
The Jewish Bulletin

SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Ruth Westheimer blames her frank talk about sex on her Jewish heritage.

"Being rooted in Judaism permits me to be so explicit," the sex therapist told a recent Israel Bonds luncheon in San Francisco.

Westheimer, known to millions of North Americans as "Dr. Ruth," received the group's Tree of Life Award in recognition of her professional achievements. The 59-year-old New Yorker hosts her own television show, has made innumerable radio and TV appearances, and has published six books.

A child of Holocaust victims, she said that her autobiography, to be published in November under the title All in a Lifetime, is "not just my story but also the story of many others."

In 1939, at the age of 10, Westheimer was sent to a school in Switzerland in what she said was a token attempt to rescue German-Jewish children. Her parents, who remained in the family's native Frankfurt to stay with Westheimer's aged grandmother, are presumed to have died in Auschwitz.

The Swiss school became an orphanage not

Dr. Ruth

only for Westheimer but for most of the other approximately 100 children there whose parents met a fate similar to Westheimer's. The children were taught menial trades, but Westheimer, who was trained to be a housemaid, had other goals in mind.

After the war, she immigrated to Palestine and joined the Haganah, where she trained as a sniper. Westheimer's most vivid combat experience was during an artillery bombardment of the kibbutz where she taught kindergarten. A bomb exploded near her and she narrowly missed having her feet blown off.

Westheimer attended the Teachers' Seminary in Jerusalem, and then moved to France with her first husband so he could study medicine and she could attend the Sorbonne. She earned the equivalent of a Bachelor's degree in psychology there in 1956.

The same year, she went to the United States to visit an uncle in San Francisco, and en route saw an advertisement in New York that turned her life in a completely different direction.

The advertisement announced scholarships for children of the Holocaust to the New School for Social Research. Westheimer won a scholarship, and graduated from the New School in 1959 with a Master's degree in sociology. She went on to earn a doctorate in education from Columbia University in 1970.

Westheimer became steeped in sex education and therapy while working at Planned Parenthood in the 1960s. But it wasn't until 1977 that she had an encounter with the electronic media that would lead to the celebrity she presently enjoys.

She delivered a lecture to New York broadcasters in which she urged them to air more sex education programs. One of the broadcasters invited her to appear on a local radio program, and Westheimer was so popular that soon she had her own show and began appearing on other radio and television programs.

Westheimer said that despite the loss of her parents, the early years she spent with them were a tremendous influence in her path to achievement. She said she also found the same was true for the other orphans she spent time with in Switzerland.

"There were no social misfits," she said. "Not one woman became a prostitute, and not one man ended up in a menial job. The reason for that is because for the first six years, we all spent them in loving Jewish homes, and that's where our values were being set."

Gorbachev said on tightrope

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO — Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has initiated genuine reforms in the USSR and is walking a tightrope for it, according to a leading Canadian political scientist and news commentator.

McMaster University professor Adam Brompke, a columnist for the Toronto Star, told the New Fraternal Jewish Order that Gorbachev is "impatient to forge ahead with a drastic overhaul of the Soviet system."

For all the good press the Soviet leader is getting, he is not universally supported, Brompke said. The KGB, the army and the old line bureaucrats are either unsure or downright negative about him. They may, he fears, either individually or collectively, oust him. Conversely, "Gorbachev may tire of fighting all the opposition and fall back into the old ways," said Brompke.

Gorbachev, who came to power in early 1985, brought a new kind of leadership, "eloquent, smooth and decisive."

He moves fast, and keeps his opposition (of which there is a good deal) off balance. "There is always the possibility," warned Brompke, "that in his impatience, Gorbachev may take one chance too many."

While he is working steadily to consolidate his position in the Politburo, he is, said Brompke, a "populist" leader, going over the heads of his opponents to the people for support. "He would have done well in the Ontario elections."

Glasnost, Brompke feels, is no myth. One actually hears criticism and debate, even on the news. The release of many dissidents, including Scharansky and Sakharov, an attempt to curb the excesses of the KGB, and even the appearance of a limited form of election are signs, he said, of some democratization of the system.

There has been an extensive overhaul of the economy, with less centralization, the encouragement of initiative, both in the public and private sectors, and even changes in the banking system.

"There is a real attempt to return to Lenin-style communism," which, Brompke said, was subverted by Stalin and those who came after him.

There is a marked change in foreign policy, he went on, with less involvement in the Third World and a genuine push towards better relations with the West.

NY schools celebrate banker's gift of $30M

By
ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK — The children and teachers of New York's many Jewish schools have much to celebrate in this new year of 5748. For many years to come they, and New York's Jewish community, will be the beneficiaries of what is the largest gift to Jewish education ever granted by an individual in North America.

According to J. J. Goldberg in the Jewish week, Joseph S. Gruss, a Manhattan investment banker, has signed over a gift of $30 million to UJA-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

Gruss' generous support of Jewish education dates back to 1973. In that year he presented a $100,000 challenge grant to the federation. It was to be matched by an equal amount to create a Fund for Jewish Education.

By 1978 Gruss committed himself to a $1 million annual donation, to be matched by an equal amount from both the federation and from UJA. This annual challenge grant had risen to $1.5 million by this year.

The Fund For Jewish Education provides annual operating expense grants to 173 day schools and yeshivas, and to 219 supplementary schools in the New York area. About 100,000 children attend these schools.

The fund also grants gifts to 49 day schools which run programs for students with special needs; for education of immigrant children, particularly from the Soviet Union and Iran; and for outreach programs.

With the shortage of qualified good teachers in North America, Gruss' contribution in the area of teachers' benefits is of special significance. The Fund For Jewish Education provides for cost-free life insurance, health insurance and pension supplements. About 4,500 full-time teachers in 294 schools will be recipients of these benefits.

In addition to the Fund for Jewish Education, Gruss has endorsed seven other "life monument funds" in his, and in his wife's, name. These funds either supplement the work of the main fund or have inaugurated new programs.

Among other things the funds have created scholarships for needy students of all-day Jewish high schools.

The funds are responsible for the "excellent teachers" program which awards $10,000, over two years, to outstanding teachers in day schools. During the past year about 160 awards were given out.

The funds connected with Gruss have distributed over $9 million last year alone. His $30 million grant will extend these funds to perpetuity.

Born in Poland 84 years ago, Gruss came to the U.S. in 1939. His wife, an attorney, died earlier this year.

Besides his contributions to Jewish education through UJA-Federation, Gruss has donated millions to individual institutions.

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Prosecute now

We agree with the sentiments expressed by David Matas, legal counsel for the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith, regarding the urgent need to prosecute Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Matas, author of *Justice Delayed: Nazi War Criminals in Canada*, said in a Toronto interview that the government has delayed bringing war criminals to justice for 42 years.

The dilatory habits that caused the delays seem not to have changed. It has been several weeks since royal assent was given to the enabling legislation which permits the arrest and prosecution of suspected Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Yet no arrests have been made of the 20 suspects identified in the Deschenes Commission report as serious candidates for prosecution. Nor has the government moved to investigate more closely the dossiers of 218 other cases of suspected war criminals.

Matas suggests that the government is guilty of "an excess of caution" in its investigations. He also feels that government action against war criminals is being inhibited by needless duplication of effort.

A major concern expressed by Matas is that the government, when it does move, will prosecute only one case instead of all cases simultaneously in order to test the waters before proceeding.

"In a normal case, when you've got the evidence against an alleged murderer you proceed right away. You don't wait for another case to go to court in a situation where the facts may be similar or the law may be similar."

This approach abuts against the biological deadline because witnesses are dying and memories are fading. Protracted discussions in government circles about the issue give suspected war criminals the opportunity, moreover, to flee this country.

The CJN applauded the Mulroney government when it convened the Deschenes Commission. We were also supportive, despite certain reservations, of the report which the Commission issued. The CJN endorsed the legislation which the government offered Parliament regarding the prosecution of war criminals.

Unless the government moves immediately against the people identified in the Deschenes Commission, more than three years of investigation and law-making will have gone down the drain.

The prosecution of Nazi war criminals in Canada was never intended to be a symbolic act.

It was intended to bring retribution to the murderers among us.

Important move

While Israel seems to be constantly buffeted by intra-community tension, Canadian Jews, at least in one constituency, are setting a fine example of brotherly love and understanding.

For the last 16 months a Reform congregation in Toronto, Temple Emanu-El, has been providing temporary worship facilities for an Orthodox group, Kehillat Shaarei Torah, while its own synagogue is under construction (CJN Sept. 23).

This rather unusual arrangement, it was reported, received the blessings of the head of the Canadian Jewish Congress' Orthodox Division, which encouraged the use of Temple Emanu-El's facilities.

Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld of Emanu-El was also an active and vocal supporter in the zoning difficulties the Orthodox synagogue went through during the initial building phase of its new structure, now nearing completion.

At the same time the vice-president of Temple Emanu-El, Janice Segal, was instrumental in helping Kehillat Shaarei Torah organize a fund raising dinner for the Orthodox congregation.

These fine gestures of Jewish solidarity were capped in a recent ceremony and processional which saw Kehillat Shaarei Torah transfer its Torah scrolls to its new quarters. During the celebration Rabbi Elliot Feldman and Roy Arluck, president of the Orthodox congregation, presented Rabbi Bielfeld with a numbered book on peace.

The two symbols of the happy occasion, the Torah scrolls and the peace book, are of special significance. They point to the possibility of Jews from differing religious perspectives cooperating with each other and forging harmonious bonds for the present and the future.

It is our honor as Canadians and as Jews that such an important event should have occurred in our community.

Nothing funny about Jewish women's putdown

Zap JAP humor, feminists say

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

How do you tickle a JAP? Gucci, Gucci, goo.

It may be time to stop laughing about Jewish American Princesses, or JAPs, as they are commonly known.

JAP jokes are a dime a dozen, probably because self-deprecating humor is deeply ingrained in North American Jewish life.

But according to a recent conference on Current Stereotypes of Jewish Women, sponsored by the American Jewish Congress, there's nothing really funny about it. Jewish feminists contend that the lampooning of Jewish women is not only sexist but subliminally anti-semitic.

Susan Schneider

Susan Weidman Schneider, editor of the Jewish feminist magazine Lilith, claimed that what "started as humor has escalated into attacks." Francine Klagsbrun, author of *Married People: Staying Together in an Age of Divorce*, said that "there is nothing funny about a putdown of Jewish women that has become a generic term for materialism, self-indulgence and loudness."

The New York City conference, called to address the prevalence of JAP stereotyping on college campuses and greeting cards, was told that the JAP has become the stereotype for Jewish, and even non-Jewish, women who conform to the image.

Male authors fostered image

Schneider argued that while JAP jokes are accepted and told by many people, including Jews, the anti-semitism inherent in them remains unnoticed. If left unchecked, they could lead to "more direct and classic anti-semitic jokes and verbal abuse," she warned.

Schneider said that JAP stereotyping could damage the self-esteem of Jewish women and interfere with romantic relationships between them and Jewish men.

Klagsbrun charged that two well-known Jewish authors, Philip Roth and Herman Wouk, fostered the spectre of the JAP. Wouk, in *Marjorie Morningstar*, introduced the "grandmother of Jewish princesses." And Roth, in *Goodbye, Columbus*, created Brenda, perhaps the ultimate fictional JAP.

Sherry Merfish, chairperson of the American Jewish Committee's women's issues committee, reported that shops in Houston, Texas, carry JAP greeting cards. One card, an Official Application for the JAP Olympic Games, features a long-nosed, frizzy-haired, plump woman wearing a Star of David and jumping hurdles to a clearance sale.

Additional items available on the marketplace include Slap-a-JAP T-shirts and JAP-buster shirts.

At Syracuse University last year, trendily-dressed women at a football game were verbally abused by members of the pep band, who shouted in unison, JAP, JAP, JAP, spreading the chant throughout the stadium.

Francine Klagsbrun

Philip Roth

In conclusion, the conference was told that, in overlooking the problem, Jews abet JAP stereotyping. "The Jewish community must seriously examine this issue," said Ruth Septee, a member of the women's issues committee, "and we must recognize that JAP jokes are not funny. They are ugly, and they must end."

SALAMI WARS

The kosher salami market in the U.S. is big business, particularly in New York City. Last year, Americans gobbled up $200 million worth of the stuff.

Recently, some of the largest producers in the trade embarked on a no-holds-barred advertising war that flared in such important markets as New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia and southern Florida.

Hostilities, which ended recently, broke out after National Foods, maker of Hebrew National, the most popular kosher salami, came up with a new ad campaign.

In its newspaper ads, Hebrew National claimed that its 83% fat-free salami had 34% less fat than Mogen David's salami, 24% less than Shofar and 8% less than Best Kosher's.

Hebrew National went on the offensive because Shofar's sales had grown by 21% to $35 million.

It didn't take Shofar long to respond. In a full-page ad in The New York Times, Shofar retorted: "More and more people" have been buying Shofar's kosher salamis because they are "low in fat, low in moisture" and are the "best-tasting salami you can buy."

Its bold advice to Hebrew National: "Make a better salami."

Amid all the hullabaloo, Hebrew National was slapped with a $39,800 fine by New York state's kosher law enforcement division. The Jewish World of Long Island reports that the company allegedly violated a canon of kashruth. "At issue is a vat of meat soaked in water as part of the koshering process, prior to being salted," writes Stewart Ain. "Instead of cold water, the vat contained warm water. If the water was sufficiently hot — as the state contends and Hebrew National denies — the meat would have been cooked. Meat cooked prior to being salted is not kosher."

The director of the division, Rabbi Schulem Rubin, imposed the fine after two of his inspectors visited Hebrew National's now defunct plant in the New York borough of Queens. Hebrew National has filed a motion to dismiss the charges, threatened to sue for damages and asked Rubin to appear before a rabbinical tribunal.

SIGN OF THE TIMES

Dartmouth College, an Ivy League university, has a Jewish president, the first in its history.

James Freedman, Dartmouth's 15th president, was installed last July. Now 51, Freedman is the former president of the University of Iowa and the ex-dean of the University of Pennsylvania's law school. The first president since 1822 to come to Dartmouth without previous ties to the New Hampshire college, he is a graduate of Harvard and Yale.

His wife, Bathsheba, will teach psychology at Dartmouth.

Freedman's appointment is indicative of the strides that Jews have made in American academia. Before World War II, quotas governed the admittance of Jews into Ivy League universities, and Jewish professors were a rarity. Jews, needless to say, were not even considered for the presidencies of universities.

CONVERTS

Two American researchers, Egon Mayer and Amy Avgar, have just published a study entitled Conversion Among the Intermarried.

Mayer is a professor of sociology at Brooklyn College, while Avgar is assistant director of the American Jewish Committee's William Petschek National Jewish Family Center in New York.

The authors write that the desire to please a spouse is the major motivating factor in conversions from Christianity to Judaism. They add that the majority of converts are women who described themselves as moderately religious or very religious prior to conversion. Afterward, such women are more likely than their Jewish-by-birth counterparts to become strongly active in the religious and cultural activities of their Jewish community.

Mayer and Avgar said the converts complained that their courses of study had been heavily weighed toward theology and that they would have preferred a greater emphasis on Jewish ethnic and cultural heritage.

They questioned 309 couples from all around the U.S., their average age being 39. Three quarters of the respondents were Jewish men married to non-Jewish wives. About one-third of the non-Jewish spouses had converted.

Jewish organizations estimate that 10,000 adults convert to Judaism each year in the U.S., double the number two decades ago. Furthermore, one-third of all Jewish marriages now involve a non-Jewish spouse.

Opinion

Call for peace parley "very enouraging," says Meguid

American Jewish Congress move pleases Egypt

By
WOLF BLITZER

Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul Meguid meets Israeli leaders during a recent visit to Jerusalem. [IPPA photo]

WASHINGTON —

Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul Meguid has warmly welcomed the latest policy statement issued by the American Jewish Congress supporting the convening of an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict (CJN Oct. 1).

He called the AJC statement "a very pleasant surprise" and "very encouraging."

Meguid, who was in the United States to attend the opening of the United Nations General Assembly, was speaking at a forum sponsored by the Brookings Institute, a prestigious Washington think tank.

For over 90 minutes, he discussed at great length Egypt's policies toward Israel and the peace process. He spoke candidly and openly before the approximately 100 American and foreign diplomats, scholars, journalists and Middle East specialists who were in the audience. There were several representatives from the Israeli and Arab embassies in Washington.

A day earlier, he said he had been pleased to read about the AJC decision on the front page of The New York Times. In the statement, the Jewish organization basically endorsed the position of Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and his Labor Party in favor of a restricted conference which would quickly lead to direct Arab-Israeli negotiations.

Meguid, an experienced and polished diplomat who had visited Israel in July for three days of talks with Peres, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and other ranking Israeli officials, was cautious but hopeful in assessing the prospects for an international conference. He acknowledged the impasse resulting from the split between Shamir and Peres within the Israeli government.

"We still have a long way to go," he said. "But the attitudes taken by Peres, and now by an important mainstream American Jewish organization, were very encouraging.

"While I was in Israel," he said, "I saw that things are moving. I didn't say they are moving fast enough but I am beginning to see an acceptance of certain ideas that were taboo a few years ago."

To back up his point, he recalled that, while in Israel, he had read in The Jerusalem Post the text of a speech Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin had earlier delivered in Washington. Rabin, too, had called for a stepped up effort to promote peace. "I was pleased to hear it," Meguid said. "It showed the urgency of the time factor."

He urged patience in trying to bridge existing procedural and substantive differences. "We in Egypt are patient," he said.

He called the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty "one of the main achievements" of the overall peace process. "This peace is there to stay," he said. "There is no way out."

"We know what war means," he said. "Many people in our country have suffered."

He was also encouraged by the fact that many in the Arab world who originally condemned Egypt's peace policies toward Israel have now concluded that Egypt "was on the right track. They are also looking for peace now."

He described current Israeli-Egyptian relations as "good . . . We consider this a normal relationship."

Differences between the two countries remain, he said, but this is by no means unusual.

Yet he added that the bilateral arrangement between Israel and Egypt was "not enough." He called on the U.S. to take a more active role in finding a solution to the Palestinian question.

"We hope the U.S. effort will continue and bring some results," he said, adding that the exact "ways and means" should be left to Washington.

"There is a lot of imagination in the administration," he said. "We welcome an active role."

While endorsing the principle of direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors — "after all, we negotiated directly with Israel" — Meguid noted that there was "no way" that Jordan could embark on such a strategy without first having the "umbrella" of an international conference.

Meguid repeatedly praised Peres for accepting an international conference as early as September 1986 during a summit meeting in Alexandria with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. At that time, Peres was still Prime Minister. "we appreciated his response," he said of Peres.

Since then, Meguid continued, "things have been moving," although "slowly."

Like Peres, Meguid insisted that the international participants at any conference, including the Soviet Union, should not be authorized to impose a settlement "or agree to any agreement." Instead, he added, they should simply allow the parties to discuss the issues themselves.

He said that the U.S. and Egypt have joined Peres in accepting these restrictions on an international conference. "There is a consensus," he said.

While insisting that he did not want to intervene in domestic Israeli affairs, he noted the split inside Israel "which we regret." He said that Egypt would like to see Israel come up with a "unified position" on the issue.

In this regard, he added, Egypt would welcome a more active U.S. involvement in promoting the peace process.

Regarding the thorny matter of Palestinian representation at an international conference, Meguid said that only the PLO was authorized "to nominate" appropriate Palestinians. But he added that they should attend as part of a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation.

His carefully phrased remarks left open the possibility that West Bank and Gaza Palestinians who are not formal members of the PLO could be named by the PLO to join a Jordanian team.

Meguid, in response to a question, said he had recently held a 2½ hour discussion with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in Addis Ababa. He said he enjoyed Arafat's "company," adding that the Palestinians "have a cause and it must be heard and they must be helped."

But he added: "We have differences with the PLO."

Meguid, who repeatedly endorsed UN Resolution 242 and 338, said he had a very good and frank discussion with 12 West Bank and Gaza Palestinians during his visit to Israel in July. One of them, Hatem Abu Ghazala from Gaza, was in the Brookings audience.

During the question and answer session, Abu Ghazala stood and made a brief statement appealing for movement in the peace process. "There is a need to talk to opponents," Abu Ghazala said.

Meguid said that Egypt was very aware of the frustrations of the Palestinians living under Israeli military occupation. "I hope Mr. Hatem and his friends will not lose patience," he said.

Meguid, while insisting that Egypt's relationship with Israel was "normal," complained about Israel's policies in the West Bank and Gaza. "We condemn that," he said. "I say that very clearly to the Israelis."

But he also noted that Egypt was cooperating with Israel "in some important fields." He also said that there are many official visits between Israel and Egypt.

The agreement to send the Taba border dispute to binding international arbitration, he said, was an important step in improving the Israeli-Egyptian relationship. He said that Egypt was still ready "for an out-of-court settlement, if possible."

Is new unburnt offering "cleaner"?

"Smokeless" cigarette needs testing

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON —

When the folks at RJR Nabisco emerged from their bunkers last week to announce yet another breakthrough product, I felt a perverse rush of admiration. How do they keep doing it?

The health community has been slogging through the trenches in the war against smoking, chipping away at the number of addicts, backing them into a small, socially unacceptable corral, and out comes RJR with a secret offensive weapon. It's the industry's Battle of the Bulge: the "smokeless" cigarette.

The product that they are developing is, they say, a cigarette that uses but does not burn tobacco. It's a cigarette that produces no ash and little sidestream smoke. In short, this product is supposedly "safer," although that word is never exhaled by a tobacco man. To say the word "safer" would imply that regular cigarettes were unsafe. They call it, instead, "the world's cleanest cigarette."

The announcement is a response to the success of the passive smoking movement, which has sent smokers into a social purdah. If these new pacifiers do save some beds from burning and some non-smokers' lungs from deteriorating, it's all to the good. But I suspect that we're actually inhaling a lethal sidestream of false health promises to the smokers.

The history of tobacco's safety claims is hardly reassuring. The cigarette itself was marketed at the turn of the century as a healthy, "safer" alternative to chewing tobacco, which spread germs through spitting. In the 1930s, ads for Camels and Philip Morris boasted that their smoke was less irritating, i.e., "safer." In the 1950s, after the first major cancer scare, the industry developed filtered cigarettes with slogans like "just what the doctor ordered." It turned out that one of the things the doctor ordered was asbestos in the Kent micronite filter.

Today, manufacturers push the notion of low tar, in an attempt to convince people their brand is "safer." And to come full circle, young people are again ingesting tobacco like Skoal in the misguided belief that it's less dangerous than inhaling. All in all, the "safety" record of the tobacco industry now leads to some 350,000 deaths a year.

So what of this new unburnt offering to the public anxiety? Greg Connolly, director of the Massachusetts Office of Non-Smoking and Health, likes to call it "the little Webber grill." We know that this grill produces carbon monoxide and nicotine. We know that it contains charcoal, a small amount of tobacco and something mysteriously called a "flavor capsule." Essentially, you suck hot air through that capsule.

Is that safer? I mean, "cleaner?" The carbon monoxide and the nicotine are bad enough for the heart. But the real mystery is in the "flavor capsule."

The flavor in a cigarette comes from the tar in the tobacco. As you take the tar out, you have to substitute something. In a cigarette with as little tobacco as these, the flavor packet is a bundle of additives. But what they are, how dangerous, or how dangerous when burned with other additives is anybody's guess because tobacco is a uniquely unregulated product. It is exempt from control by the Food and Drug Administration, exempt from the Consumer Product Safety Agency.

"Can you imagine a food company marketing a new ice cream, saying that it has no calories, no fat, but not telling you what's in it?" asks Beth Whelan of the American Council of Science and Health. "They can put anything they want to in a cigarette."

Scott Ballin of the American Heart Association adds, ironically: "If there were no tobacco in the product at all, the FDA would be required to regulate it." Indeed the FDA kept a tobaccoless cigarette called Flavor from the market.

There is a bill now before Congress that would give the government authority to regulate the additives if not the tobacco itself. A label listing the ingredients in a cigarette — smoke or smokeless — might be spookier than any warnings.

The average addicted smoker would give anything for a safe cigarette. The tobacco industry has given the addict a promise. Hang on for a while, we have one coming.

If it is safe, or rather clean, let it be tested and regulated. If not, I would like to offer a name for the new smokeless cigarette. If this is the tobacco industry's last stand, let's call them Custers.

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Opinion

Critics rave about country's "best film of the 1980s"

Late Summer Blues strikes responsive chord in Israel

By
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TORONTO —

Late Summer Blues, screened at this year's Jerusalem Film Festival, took Israeli movie fans by storm.

Teddy Kollek, the hardbitten mayor of Jerusalem, wept.

Critics raved, one going as far as calling it "Israel's best film of the 1980s."

True or not, *Late Summer Blues* has undoubtedly struck a responsive chord in the Israeli public. More than six months after its premiere, it is still running strong in Israeli theatres.

For Renen Schorr, the 35-year-old director, *Late Summer Blues* has been not only a personal vindication but, in commercial terms, "a major success."

"I knew it was a film I had to make," he said in an interview several days after its screening at Toronto's Festival of Festivals. "This was something I just had to do."

Late Summer Blues, Schorr's first full-length feature, is set in the summer of 1970, during the War of Attrition along the Suez Canal, and revolves around a group of Israeli high school students who are about to be inducted into the army.

Tension is in the air because, in the eyes of many of the students, the war is difficult to justify, and this may be their last chance to be together in a carefree atmosphere. Schorr's film, combining drama with song, is often a sensitive and empathetic exploration of their innermost feelings as the day of induction draws closer.

From inception to completion, Schorr worked on *Late Summer Blues* for some 10 years, writing and rewriting the script with Doron Nesher, while struggling to finance it.

"There were moments of crisis in which I told Doron that maybe we should give up," he recalled. "There were problems with the script and financial problems. I had my goood moments and bad moments, but I was stuck. It was in my blood."

Schorr, who now makes his home in Tel Aviv, was determined to make a picture like *Late Summer Blues* because it came from the heart.

Born in Jerusalem, the son of a medical professor and a 7th-generation Sabra on his mother's side, Schorr was a child actor — "a whiz kid" — at the Habimah Theatre. Schorr was 18 when the War of Attrition broke out, and he did not relish the thought of dying somewhere on the Suez Canal. More than 500 Israeli soldiers were killed in that war.

Schorr's dread of stopping an Egyptian bullet was reinforced by his feeling that the war was not necessary for Israel's survival.

His doubts were shared by friends who drafted an open letter to Golda Meir, the Prime Minister, criticizing her government for not doing enough for peace. "This was the first time Israeli youth took a stand against the Establishment," said Schorr, who considers himself politically left of centre.

"The War of Attrition could have been stopped," he added, noting that fear and paranoia led Israel to adopt a hard line toward Egypt.

Despite his opposition to the war, Schorr never thought of shirking his duty. Like Arileh, the anti-war activist in *Late Summer Blues*, he entered the Israel Defence Force, joining the army's entertainment troupe. During the Yom Kippur War, he covered the Golan Heights front as a military correspondent for Galei Zahal, the IDF's radio station, and Bamahaneh, the army's official magazine.

In 1974, after being demobilized, Schorr enrolled in Tel Aviv University's film course. Later, armed with a grant from the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, he broadened his knowledge in Los Angeles and New York under the direction of such respected professionals as Paul Mazursky, John Cassavettes and Steve Shagen. During that period in his life, Schorr — and Doron Nesher — wrote eight versions of *Late Summer Blues*.

In 1979, Schorr returned to Israel and began teaching film at his alma mater. He also directed two short features — *Off the Air* (about his days at Galei Zahal) and *Fellow Travellers*, the latter about Israeli-Palestinian relationships. Schorr shot his first short, *After Duty*, (a love story set in the wake of the 1973 war), in 1976.

In doing *Late Summer Blues*, Schorr ran up against the inevitable financial difficulties. As he put it: "Most Israeli films are idiotic comedies and melodramas, and investors considered our film too serious."

A government body, the Israel Fund for the Promotion of Quality Films, came through with a $70,000 grant. This breakthrough enabled Schorr and his co-producers, Ilan De Vries and Doron Nesher, to approach sympathetic distributors and industrialists. They pitched in with $130,000.

The Ramat Gan-based Beit-Zvi School of Stage and Cinematic Art, with which Schorr is now associated, donated the film equipment as well as half the actors.

Renen Schorr

It was no easy task finding experienced 18-year-old actors who could portray the characters in *Late Summer Blues*. "We didn't want models, we wanted people you can hug and help across a street. The value of innocence was critical. I wanted Israeli faces, not American or French ones. There are 45 characters in the film and I wanted them to be new and fresh. I knew I was making it hard on myself by not using experienced actors, but I wasn't worried. I interviewed 400 to 500 people. I found what I was looking for."

Schorr's objective was to make a film that would "penetrate the audience like an arrow" and bring out its deepest emotions. "I cried when I saw the first cut," he acknowledged. "From time to time, I still cry when I see it. I still feel a lump in my throat."

Those who missed it at the Toronto — and Montreal — film festivals will get a chance to see it next March in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa under the auspices of the Israel-Canada Cultural Foundation.

Schorr was still negotiating with Canadian distributors when he was interviewed. He believes that *Late Summer Blues* will be shown commercially in this country in 1988.

With *Late Summer Blues* safely behind him, Schorr is now thinking of his next film. "It's a personal film and I can smell it, but I prefer not to discuss it."

Despite *Late Summer Blues'* success at the box office, Schorr expects to encounter funding problems once he is ready to shoot again. "The Israeli Establishment doesn't conceive of cinema as an art, and they invest no more than about $250,000 annually in films," he explained. "They put their money mainly in theatre."

Their attitude, though deplorable, may be understandable. "The basic problem hasn't changed in years," he said. "The Israeli market is very small, and a film can only break even if it is seen by one-third of the Israeli population. That doesn't happen more than twice a year."

As he a result, most Israeli investors are interested only in fluff films that appeal to the lowest common denominator.

These adverse conditions notwithstanding, Renen Schorr is committed to making quality movies of which he and Israel can be proud.

He has no intention of succumbing to the tantalizing temptations of the present Israeli marketplace.

Yoav Tsafir is featured in Late Summer Blues.

Challenge to vested interests

Logic, reason don't help constitution proposal

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

The United States this year celebrates the 200th anniversary of its constitution. And Canada's new constitution is being tested in the courts.

Great Britain, on the other hand, has existed since feudal times without a written constitution. Its basic laws are grounded on royal decrees, judicial decisions and numerous precedents, beginning with the Magna Carta of 1215.

Little Israel, now in its 40th year, has come thus far without a constitution. Not that there weren't efforts to provide one. Even prior to the proclamation of the state, a full-blown document was drawn up by a committee headed by Dr. Leo Kohn, and even published in a full page in the NY Times of Dec. 10, 1948, but it was never adopted. Thereafter another attempt was submitted by the jurist, Dr. Yitzhak Klinghoffer, but this too never got off the ground.

Objections to a definitive constitution were many in the early days. The policy of the Mapai Labor Party was that the population here had no right to make decisions on the constitution of the people for generations to come, at a time when no more than about 7% of world Jewry lived in Israel.

Ben-Gurion warned that the debate over controversial paragraphs was apt to split the nation — and he had in mind clauses specifying the role of religion and Jewish religious law in the state.

As a compromise, the Knesset proceeded to adopt individual basic laws from time to time on non-controversial subjects such as the composition of the Knesset, the presidency, the government, the national economy, the defence forces, Jerusalem as the nation's capital, and the judicial system. Eventually these were to be incorporated into a comprehensive constitution.

The issue has now come to the fore once again, as a committee of distinguished jurists, headed by Prof. Uriel Reichman, of the Tel Aviv University Law School, has drawn up and submitted for public scrutiny a full-fledged document, and the debate is on (CJN Oct. 1).

It begins innocently enough, proclaiming that Israel is the state of the Jewish people, and is based on the eternal rights of a free people in its ancestral homeland. There is an obvious contrast with the Kohn proposal, which began: "We the people of Israel, humbly giving thanks to Almighty God for having delivered us from the burden of exile, and brought us back to our ancient land. . . ."

The elimination of any reference to God is only the beginning. For one thing, the Tel Aviv document provides for recognition of civil marriage alongside religious marriage, thus for the first time moving in the direction of separation of religion from state.

The proposal calls for a revision of the electoral system, and provides for selection of one half the Knesset members by direct constituency election in 60 regions. The other half of the Knesset is to be elected at large, by proportional representation, as at present. Parties which do not poll at least 2.5% of the total vote will have no standing.

The Prime Minister will be the chief executive officer, and will be chosen by popular vote, rather than by the Knesset. A majority will be required for election, and if such majority is not received in the first poll, a run-off will be held among the top candidates.

For the first time, too, the Supreme Court will be given authority to determine if proposed legislation is constitutional. A quorum will be set for action by the Knesset, in contrast to the present situation whereby a bare handful of members is sometimes present for votes.

The proclamation of democracy for the country as a whole is extended to the imposition of democratic procedures in the internal operations of the political parties — something which many of these parties today may be expected to oppose.

Theoretically, the proposed new constitution provides for logical, rational, ideal solutions for all problems — but it first has to be adopted. This would be done after approval by two-thirds of the members of the Knesset, followed by a national referendum and confirmation by popular vote.

Considering the challenge to vested religious authority, all the toes that will be stepped on, the special privileges that will be abolished, and the sources of power that will be eliminated, there isn't the slightest chance that this constitution will be approved, logic, reason, justice, democracy and idealism notwithstanding.

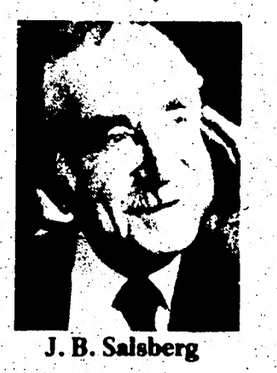
Opinion

Historic Jewish anniversaries knock at our doors

By
J. B. SALSBERG

How many of you, the elite of our readership, know of all the truly historic anniversaries that certain worldwide Jewish organizations are about to celebrate?

Don't feel dejected if you fail the test. (But don't be proud of it either.) Even I, your all-knowing and humble scribe, would hardly pass the test. But of those that I **am** aware of, a few **do** deserve to be widely known and appreciated. Appreciated not in terms of the amounts of money that they may have raised or are currently raising for their special causes, but for their historic place in the life of our people.



J. B. Salsberg

In other words, I'm interested in their anniversaries as historic guideposts on the major roadways that our people travelled during the last, critical century.

But, some will say, what's a century in the life of a people that is 4,000 years old? In truth that is only a minor fraction of our recorded existence. But the past century was an exceptional and crucial one.

That century reflected, of course, many of the fundamental social, economic and political transformations that swept over the world, and especially over the European and American continents, where the majority of Jews lived. We couldn't have escaped those powerful winds of change even if we had wanted to. (Some did want to seal themselves off from those storms, but with very little success.)

The separation of church from state in Europe, for instance, had, of course, its repercussions in Jewish life. Jews as a distinct, historically evolved cultural, national and religious community could not, even if it had wanted to do so, but face up to the issue of secularism as a legitimate and dynamic component of Jewish life.

This development gave rise to political Zionism, Jewish socialism, a secular Jewish press, literature and educational institutions, drama, music, and social and political institutions that embraced the largest number of our people around the world.

But how many of our young people in this country are even remotely aware of this historic period? I'm afraid that very, very few know anything of significance of the life and experience of their immediate ancestors.

Who is responsible for this abysmal ignorance? It would be unfair to point a finger at any one specific area. The religious approach of many Jewish educational institutions to Jewish history is very parochial. Even the Jewish day schools which seek to provide both secular (public school) and Jewish religious education often take shortcuts in their coverage of the Jewish history subject.

Let's face it: Some bar mitzvah children know almost nothing of Jewish history. Some may have a vague knowledge of the biblical era of our past. The more advanced may have glimpsed at the historic peaks of Jewish life in its diasporic existence. Only those attending higher institutions of Jewish learning may have acquired a fuller perception of the long saga of Jewish history. But, one must sadly acknowledge that the overwhelming majority of our rising generation is not knowledgeable of the tempestuous Jewish experience of the last century and a half.

This unawareness affects the character and content of the manifold activities that the best of them are engaged in in the total domain of organized Jewish communal life.

What, for instance, do many of our young "Zionists" know of the Jewish condition that brought Herzlian Zionism into being? And, is their "Zionism" of a religious nature, of a personal emancipatory kind, or of a prophetic or of a secular chalutzic sort, or only of a philanthropic kind?

Those and many similar questions can also be directed at the middle-aged and older generation of activists in our major communal and fund raising organizations.

They are not undeserving of praise. But have all such good people the broader conception of the origins and underlying objectives of the causes to which they give so much of themselves?

And, how many of our so-called secularists know of the conditions that brought to life some of the major social and political movements, a hundred or so years ago, that left their indelible imprint on J wish life in general?

These are not academic questions, nor are they subjects for columnists to write about. They are challenging questions to all who take themselves, and Jewish life generally, seriously.

Yes, how can we plan to go forward if we don't know where we started from and where we wanted to get?

All this stirred my mind lately because of the request of a number of important Jewish organizations to write about the important anniversaries that they are about to observe. I concluded that they deserve the most respectful attention. They earned it.

And, most important, the young in our midst should know more of their roots and of the contributions that their ancestors made to the totality of Jewish life in the recent past.

The columns for the next few weeks will, therefore, be dedicated to them.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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LET'S BOYCOTT BOYCOTTERS

Re your Sept. 3 editorial headed "Odious menace":

You point out that the U.S. Office of Anti-Boycott Compliance of the Commerce Department imposes heavy fines against companies which cravenly comply with the Arab boycott of firms doing business with Israel.

Meanwhile, Canada, like Britain and Japan, refuses to follow the U.S. example.

I feel that we Jews should show our displeasure by taking action against the Arab anti-Israel boycott in our own way.

It would certainly be of great help if The CJN could publish the list of those known companies complying with this boycott.

Isaac Josy
Toronto

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TV PREACHER HITLER-LIKE

I was disgusted when hearing a gospel revivalist preacher make this anti-semitic statement on TV the other day:

"Why do we fast? We do not fast like those hypocrites in the synagogues. We do not beat our chest and gesticulate. . . ."

I regret to say I lost my composure and shut him off. It reminded me of the Third Reich and Josef Goebbels.

For a moment, I imagined that Hitler was resuscitated from hell (where, incidentally, all the unsaved will end up) and the Emile Zolas of this world are silenced while Captain Alfred Dreyfus is being tried and retried through the venom-spewing mouth of this Man of God.

This pastor forgot not only the terrible lessons of history, but his knowledge of the New Testament also leaves a lot to be desired.

What happened to the quote: "Blessed are the peacemakers?"

R. H. Velvart
Toronto

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CITIZEN OATH DOWNGRADES QUEEN

Immigrants coming to Canada should be educated in our form of government, and thus proud to swear allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen. However, apparently Secretary of State David Crombie does not agree.

In a recently-released discussion paper, ironically entitled "Proud to be Canadian," Crombie suggests downgrading or eliminating the Queen from the citizenship oath.

I am writing to alert your readers to this insulting and untimely proposal, and to ask them to join in making certain that it does not become law.

Canada is a constitutional monarchy. That principle is entrenched in our recently-proclaimed constitution, and the presence this year in Quebec of both the Queen and the Queen Mother shows how uncontroversial and widely accepted is the role of the Crown.

Recognition of this fact should be made by anyone who wants to become a Canadian.

One of the discussion paper's proposed oaths places the Queen in 4th place, and eliminates the promise "to bear true allegiance" to the Sovereign.

This is justified as follows: "Some believe the country itself ought to take precedence over the Crown," falsely suggesting that there is a conflict. Our way of expressing love of country is through loyalty to the Crown, because the Queen is the neutral and non-political head of state.

The other proposed oath justifies removing *any* mention of the Queen with the ridiculous argument that immigrants' having difficulty with English or French may prefer a shorter oath.

Come on, Mr. Crombie.

Which is more difficult to understand — "being faithful" to the most widely-known and loved woman in the world, or promising to "abide by" a constitution, a piece of paper most have never read?

People matter most; that is what monarchy reminds us.

John Aimers
Dominion chairman
Monarchist League of Canada
Oakville, Ont.

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JOYS OF YIDDISH TEACHER

As an ex-Yiddish teacher, I would like to share some *naches* I recently experienced with some of my former pupils in Hamilton, Ont. and Toronto.

As an active member of the Montreal "Mameh Loshen" group and the National Yiddish Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, I decided to get in touch with some Toronto activists of the Friends of Yiddish.

On a short side trip to Hamilton, I visited friends who were active shul supporters. While there, I met a few of my Hamilton Yiddish shul pupils. Though they are now parents, they still remembered some of the poems and songs they learned.

The unplanned reunion was full of laughter and tears of joy, as we reminisced about the time during the late 40s, when I was their teacher and principal.

My chest swelled with pride when I learned that many of them belong to the Friends of Yiddish in Toronto and Hamilton.

A teacher gets great satisfaction when he realizes that his efforts were not in vain, when his former pupils succeed in various professions.

But the real *naches* he achieves is when these successful professionals, businessmen and women have not forgotten their Yiddishkeit.

David Kunigis
Montreal

Reader praises Toronto Reform Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld for offering space at Temple Emanu-El for worship to an Orthodox congregation.

BRAVO TO REFORM RABBI

It was with great mixed feelings that I read your article in the Rosh Hashanah edition wherein a Reform temple offered space for worship, helped with zoning problems for their permanent quarters and, most impressively, donated a Torah to an Orthodox congregation.

It is a fine and wonderful example of what a synagogue community can do.

Temple Emanu-El and Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld should have a special place in the Toronto Jewish community, and indeed in the world Jewish community, for this act of reconciliation.

They did this despite the fact that there are great conflicts between the Orthodox and Liberal views.

They did that despite the fact that the very people to whom they offered help campaign vigorously to deny aliya of some members of their own congregation under the (God forbid) amended Law of Return.

Rabbi Bielfeld gave comfort to a group that would deny him any official status as a rabbi in the State of Israel.

The mixed feelings come, however, from my experiences in the last 15 years of being involved in the establishment of a non-Orthodox synagogue in Toronto.

It would be of great comfort for me to know that there was even one Orthodox congregational rabbi who would say publicly that it was permissible, let alone meritorious, for:

(a) Space for worship to be provided in an Orthodox synagogue for a non-Orthodox group.

(b) Assistance to a non-Orthodox group in their problems with zoning laws.

(c) Donating of a Torah scroll to a non-Orthodox group.

I firmly believe that the messianic era will be heralded by acts of reconciliation between the various factions within the Jewish community. Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld and his congregation have taken such a step. More power to them. That step is also a challenge. Who will take the next step?

Dr. Eric Mendelsohn
Toronto

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JAILED JEW SEEKS AID

I wonder if any of your readers could help a fellow Jew in distress.

As a 34-year-old convicted narcotics smuggler, I received the minimum 7-year sentence.

In June, 1987 the Supreme Court of Canada determined in a judgment that this sentence constitutes a cruel and unusual punishment, contrary to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

I have been informed that, since this 7-year minimum has now been abolished, that Corrections Canada advises me to seek counsel, as my sentence could be reduced.

I have about four years of this sentence served and my full parole date was last year.

Except for the fact that I write letters to The Canadian Jewish News and have called attention to myself and the most inadequate penal system, I might have already been released.

Back in 1982, when I started this sentence, I lost a business and 80 employees; my wife (from a nervous breakdown); along with my two daughters. There was no help then — either!

I obviously don't have funds for a lawyer who could get my sentence reduced.

Any guidance would be appreciated.

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PUNISHMENT FOR AUSTRIA?

Austria's lack of remorse and her insult to Jewish sensibility by electing Kurt Waldheim leaves one course of action left to the Jewish nation.

Austria, a devout Catholic country, sends her pilgrims to the Holy Land every year. Her nationals should be barred from entering Israel until Austria corrects its ways.

Leonard Smith
Toronto

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JOURNALIST LAUDS GASNER

I should like to thank you for the excellent article about me published in The Canadian Jewish News Rosh Hashanah issue.

It was headed "Multi-talented Sheffy Gefen returns to Toronto" and subheaded, "After 20 years in Israel," and described me as a Toronto-born journalist, actress and broadcaster who has interviewed stars ranging from Yehudi Menuhin to Shirley MacLaine.

May I say that I consider Cynthia Gasner one of the best interviewers I have ever met, and commend both her style and journalistic integrity.

Pearl Sheffy Gefen
Toronto

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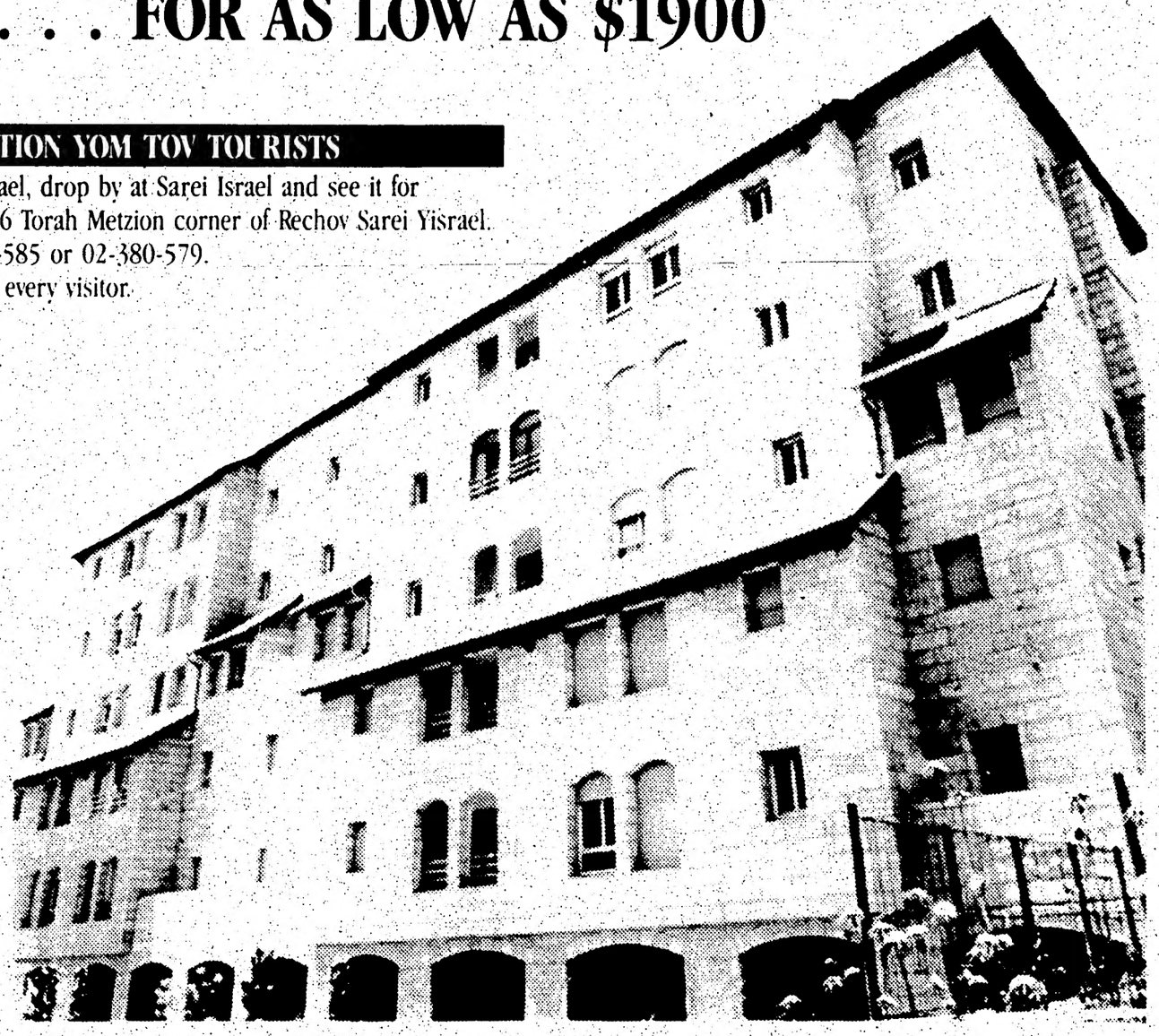

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Pair find "such curiosity about Israel"

Visit to Refuseniks an emotional experience

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Sharon Herman's visit to the Soviet Union just prior to the High Holidays strengthened her own Zionism.

But the 2-week visit was so emotionally draining, it made the Toronto native and her friend Lisa Talescknik, originally from Kingston, Ont., who both made aliya, hunger for the warmth of home during the High Holidays.

Sharon Herman looks at photos she took on a recent trip to the Soviet Union. [Wendy Rosen photo]

The pair, who now live in Jerusalem, attended the International Book Fair in Moscow on their first day in the USSR. Herman said during an interview at her parents' home, and were "delighted" to see the Israel pavilion doing so well — in fact, it was the only one that had a lineup.

"I was amazed to see how they were grabbing anything that was Jewish or Hebrew. They were like children who hadn't eaten for a long time and just grabbing anything in sight."

While a video was shown, "people just stood there soaking everything in. It was just incredible."

They spoke to a number of people in front of the pavilion "and their eyes would just light up when we said we lived in Israel. A fire was burning inside them with a desire to go to Israel."

The pair flew to Zaporozje — the first of three Ukrainian cities — where they met with Refusenik families. Sometimes after difficulty finding an address, they'd knock timidly.

"As soon as we would say Shalom, they'd grin from ear to ear. When the door to the apartment shut, there was a sudden feeling of tranquility."

She later said that while sitting in apartments talking in Yiddish or Hebrew she lost track of where she was until it was time to leave.

"You get caught up with being with the families. (When it was time to leave) it was like a jolt ... the reality began to set in and you felt it was an illusion in the midst of the reality of being in the Soviet Union."

With one man, they sat and discussed in Hebrew everything and anthing from Israeli politics to the West Bank policy. "He was an ardent Zionist who said that every Jew should be living in Israel."

While with one family after dinner, they listened to latest Israeli rock star's album followed by a album of Yiddish songs.

In the family's china cupboard, on display, she saw empty Elite coffee cans and other Israeli containers.

As the man, who wore a cap covering his kipa, walked them to the park near their hotel "and we told him to be strong, there were tears in our eyes. We tried to give him the strength and courage to go on.

"He turned and walked away. He never looked back — that's what bothered us most."

In Cherson, they were unable to make contact with the family they wanted to see. As well, when they went to the second address, they found that the family had moved. However, the Ukrainian resident knew the Refusenik's brother and took the Canadians to that address — "if he only knew what a mitzvah he did." The brother then called the family who came over.

After spending the evening, kibbitzing and teaching the children the Hebrew alphabet they left with another couple — "the laughter stopped as soon as we walked out the door."

While they were preparing to leave for Odessa, a chance encounter with a man in the hotel coffee shop led them to go with him to meet his mother, who hadn't spoken Yiddish in a long time.

"You only had to take one look at the lady and she could have been your bubbi. I let her listen to some of the Yiddish music I'd brought — you had to see this 80-year-old woman wearing a Walkman. We had only an hour to spend with them at the end of which she decided they would come to Odessa with us."

The Canadians planned to be there only two days but extended their stay by two days. In Odessa, they left the woman and her son long enough to visit about 10 Refusenik families including that of a young couple living with her grandmother. At the age of 22, the woman, whom Herman described as reminiscent of Anne Frank, was the only Hebrew teacher left in the city.

"Each night a different group of people would go there for dinner and we'd talk. It was different than meetings with other Refuseniks — it was as if there was no time to fool around. They gave us details about their relatives in Israel and their friends in the Soviet Union who were in trouble. They wanted invitations to Israel and for us to help their friends."

She said that one night everyone spontaneously began singing Kachol v'Lavan. "There was so much energy and pride coming out of these people ... such curiosity about Israel."

On the last morning before they left, the Canadians went with the Hebrew teacher's husband to a service.

"It was amazing to see the old men shokkling away like nothing's changed since the turn of the century. I tried to talk with one old man at the end. When I complimented him on his davening, he called me a shiksa. Then I said in Yiddish, 'You should live to be 120 and have a good year.' That's when he decided I wasn't a shiksa and began to talk to me."

Although their stay in that city coincided with the release of many high-profile Refuseniks, Herman said none of them felt resentment that their friends were leaving.

"They said, 'Our time will come soon' ... when we left we said, 'Next year in Jerusalem' and they corrected us and said, 'No, this year.' "

In Socci, a resort where they stayed for two days before returning to Moscow and home, they met a Refusenik who had heard propaganda denouncing Israel and asked them to send him newspaper clippings telling the truth — a request that went right to Herman's heart. She is national coordinator for TELEM, a Zionist fulfilment organization, and as such one of her reasons for making the trip was to try and undo some of the negative propaganda — the equation of Zionism equals fascism — that Soviet Jews have received about Israel. (Her friend runs an English immersion program for the municipality of Jerusalem.)

On their last night in Moscow, the Canadians tried to find the shul. As it was the day the city celebrated its 843rd birthday, all roads were blocked.

When they asked directions of a woman on the subway, they noticed she was wearing an Israeli necklace. Although they tried to convince her to come to the Havdalah service with them, she didn't.

"There seems to be a paradox there. People you bump into, because of fear, almost back away from us. It's a schizophrenic thing in the air — they want to be with you but then fear pulls them away. It was frustrating for us because we knew people wanted to talk but were afraid to."

Poll after Holocaust remark

Le Pen's popularity drops

PARIS (JTA) —

The popularity of Jean Marie Le Pen, leader of the extreme right-wing National Front, plummeted by 60%, apparently in reaction to his public expression of doubt that the Nazi gas chambers ever existed and his denigration of the Holocaust as a "mere detail" in the history of World War II, Le Figaro reported last week.

The poll, conducted by the highly reliable Sofres organization for Le Figaro, showed Le Pen's favorable rating at 10%, down from 17% in the latest previous poll.

Another poll, conducted by the weekly USD, found that only 8% of the population wanted Le Pen to "play a political role in France," compared to 12% in an earlier poll.

Prime Minister Jacques Chirac strongly condemned Le Pen's remarks, which were broadcast in a Radio Luxembourg interview last month. It was "horrible to listen to such things," said Chirac, the first French leader to speak out publicly on the matter. He urged French schools to continue to teach the history of World War II and the tragedy of the Holocaust.

Chirac's condemnation of Le Pen indicated he has given up any plans he might have had for a political alliance with the National Front in the presidential elections next spring.

Observers here have speculated in recent weeks that Chirac and his centre-right RPR Party were undecided on the matter.

Public opinion polls have indicated that Chirac will need the vote of the extreme right if he is to carry the election. The other principal centre-right presidential hopeful, Raymond Barre, has not commented on Le Pen's remarks. But in view of Chirac's highly publicized statement, Barre, it is believed, will be forced to take a public stand.

Le Pen, for his part, shrugged off the poll findings. He accused the poll takers of bias and implied their findings were weighted against him.

The National Front's 33 deputies boycotted the ceremonial opening of the National Assembly which began with a minute of silence in honor of "all victims of the Nazi Holocaust." The National Front said it acted in protest against accusations of anti-semitism levelled against it by the Assembly's president, Jacques Chaban Delmas.

The French Jewish community responded to Le Pen by crowding the synagogues for Yom Kippur services. Community spokesmen said every synagogue had standing room only and hundreds of worshippers had to follow the services from the sidewalks outside.

Meanwhile, Israel's ambassador to France, Ovadia Soffer, commented on reports that Le Pen wants to visit Israel. In an interview with Le Figaro, Soffer said, "Israel is a free and democratic country, and if he wants to visit he will not be denied entry but no one, no one in official circles, will agree to meet with him.

Headline incorrect

The headline on the continuation of a story on the Law of Return issue in the Oct. 8 edition should have stated "UIA declines to comment" rather than CJC. The CJN regrets the error.

Bank Hapoalim listed among world's top 100

TEL AVIV (JPFS) —

Bank Hapoalim is the only Israeli bank to make it into the list of the world's 100 biggest banks.

Hapoalim appears in 99th place in a special report by The Wall Street Journal on global finance and investing.

The top 10 banks are dominated by Japan, with seven representatives, including four of the top five.

France has two and the United States one — Citicorp — in second place.

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World-National

Controversy over speech to Presidents' Conference

Peres denies asking U.S. Jews to back parley

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cians to refrain from attacking a cabinet minister while he is abroad.

Peres said that apparently the only Israeli newspaper that reported his speech correctly was The Jerusalem Post.

"The norms here are getting more and more sophisticated," Peres said sarcastically. "Not only am I subjected to criticism while I am away, but I am being criticized for things I never said."

As to party politics among Diaspora Jewry, he said, it was well known that the Herut Party branch in the U.S. was actively engaged in drumming up opposition among American Jews — and non-Jewish politicians — to the international conference proposal.

Peres said that he had not asked American Jews to take a decision in favor of the international conference, only to participate and to take a stand on matters of peace.

Peres said to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir: "We agreed between us that in my address to the UN General Assembly I would present the views of the Likud and the Alignment with respect to peace negotiations. I very much hope that the Likud spokesmen touring the U.S. will be as careful as I was to give both sides." (He was apparently referring to, among others, former Minister-without - Portfolio Moshe Arens, who is now in Washington.)

Shamir poured cold water on ministers' hopes of whipping up a lively debate in the wake of Peres's counter-attack on his critics, saying that "the international conference proposal is not on today's agenda."

Meanwhile, the American Jewish Congress plans to continue its efforts to drum up support for an international conference, despite what appears to be a move by Shamir to exclude Congress leaders from future discussions of international affairs.

The Israel representative of the Congress, David Clayman, said last week that Shamir's advisor for Diaspora affairs informed his office that the Prime Minister was very upset by the recent endorsement of the international peace conference by the Congress, and that he would no longer be available to Congress leaders for discussions on international affairs.

Clayman said that the Congress was sorry that Shamir had chosen to respond to its action in this manner.

A spokesman for Shamir, however, denied that the Prime Minister had taken such a step, even though he was certainly angry about what the Congress had done.

The Congress published a statement endorsing the international peace conference on the eve of Peres's visit to the United States (CJN Oct. 1).

At a meeting in New York of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, Peres called on other groups to follow the example of the Congress and become involved in the debate on the Middle East peace process.

While other organizations expressed reluctance or opposition to taking a stand on this issue, Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform), said that at a conference scheduled for November he would urge his organization to come out with a resolution similar to the one passed by the Congress.

Britain's Howe supports Peres

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Peres that a highly-constrained international conference could indeed lead to direct Arab-Israeli negotiations.

Meanwhile, in London, British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe has sided unequivocally with Israeli leaders who favor an international conference and against their opponents, notably Premier Yitzhak Shamir.

In an unusually forthright speech on the subject to the Conservative Friends of Israel at the Conservative Party's annual conference in Blackpool, Howe declared that Israel's security could be assured only when the "legitimate aspirations" of the Palestinians are satisfied.

He had warm praise for the "courage and vision" of Peres and King Hussein of Jordan, both of whom support an international conference. Howe urged "Zionist patriots" to recognize the "patriotism of Palestinians. . . . Unless patriots are prepared to salute and live with each other, they risk turning each other into fanatics, terrorists or tyrants . . . an unhappy choice."

He also warned of the heavy economic and social strains of maintaining the status quo in the administered territories, captured by Israel in 1967.

"I think, too, of the brutalizing effects of two decades of occupation of Arab territories and the measures, some contrary to international law, employed in the administration of those territories. Such measures breed resentment which in turn provoke further repression and consequent international censure. They do damage to Israel herself," Howe declared.

His remarks appeared to reflect the desire of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to play a role in the Middle East peace process during her third term in office. It was confirmed over the weekend that Thatcher has been urging President Reagan to try to overcome Shamir's opposition to an international conference.

Thatcher herself has been wary of suggestions that she meet Shamir in London when the Israeli leader returns from his forthcoming trip to the U.S.

Koch boycotts meeting

NEW YORK —

Mayor Ed Koch will boycott the Mayors of the World conference to be held Oct. 20 to 23 in Ottawa.

Last week Koch, scheduled to lead a workshop entitled Governing the Ungovernable, informed conference host Ottawa mayor James Durrell that "he had serious misgivings about attending, since (Jerusalem Mayor Teddy) Kollek was not invited as a delegate," The Toronto Star quotes Durrell's spokesman as saying.

As Canada does not recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital (the Canadian embassy is in Tel Aviv), the conference committee sent a delegate invitation to Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat which was returned saying it had been misdirected.

Soon after this incident during a meeting with the Jewish Community Council of Ottawa, Durrell offered to invite Kollek to be a speaker if Lahat would attend as the official delegate. Kollek rejected the compromise as did the community council (CJN Oct. 1).

"Hitler gave the orders"

By DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

A fraction of the 40,000 United Nations files on Nazi war criminals examined by Yad Vashem in Israel reveals the "first documented evidence that Hitler gave the orders to exterminate the Jews," Israeli United Nations ambassador Benjamin Netanyahu disclosed at a recent breakfast of the Israel Bonds North American Leadership Conference.

Israel was provided with only 5% of the documentation, the ambassador said. The rest was to be available for scrutiny by the end of September, after more than a year of lobbying efforts.

The files have been in the UN archives since 1944, and were assembled at the request of then Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Britain.

Even though 17 Allied nations were aware of the files, Netanyahu said, they would have remained there indefinately had he not been informed that a file on former UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim — the current president of Austria who has been accused of collaborating with the Nazis — existed in the archives.

He said that when he asked the UN archivist about the file he was told: "You are the first diplomat to walk into these halls."

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar informed Netanyahu that the archives would only be opened with the approval of the 17 nations.

"I was told not to take it personally, but they couldn't be opened. I also said don't take it personally, but they will be." Australia was the only nation, initially, to agree that the archives should be available for examination.

The small amount of information in Yad Vashem's possession nonetheless contains some "amazing" documentation, Netanyahu said.

It includes staff lists citing the names of every camp attendant at Auschwitz; the names of 10,000 hitherto unheard from Luxembourg Jews who were transported to Riga, Latvia and exterminated; records of an official "deception campaign" to keep the mass slaughter of innocents secret; and unprecedented, precise journals documenting concentration camp activities on a daily basis.

Benjamin Netanyahu

What are contained in these files, Netanyahu said, "not only bear on the question of justice, but history." The attempt to keep the archives sealed he said, amounted to a campaign to "erase history."

Only after an intensive lobbying effort among Jews against the 17 governments and when the news was brought to world-wide media attention did 15 of the nations agree to have the archives' contents revealed.

Hopefully, the ambassador said, the new documentation will serve to combat the increasingly revisionist view of the Holocaust, which is even in evidence in the UN assembly.

"The Jews are a people, a nation, because of a common past and aspirations for a common future. Whatever we accomplish, we must recognize that we are a small people under continuous assault."

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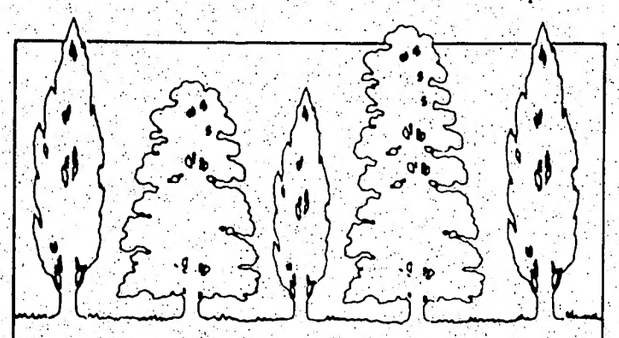

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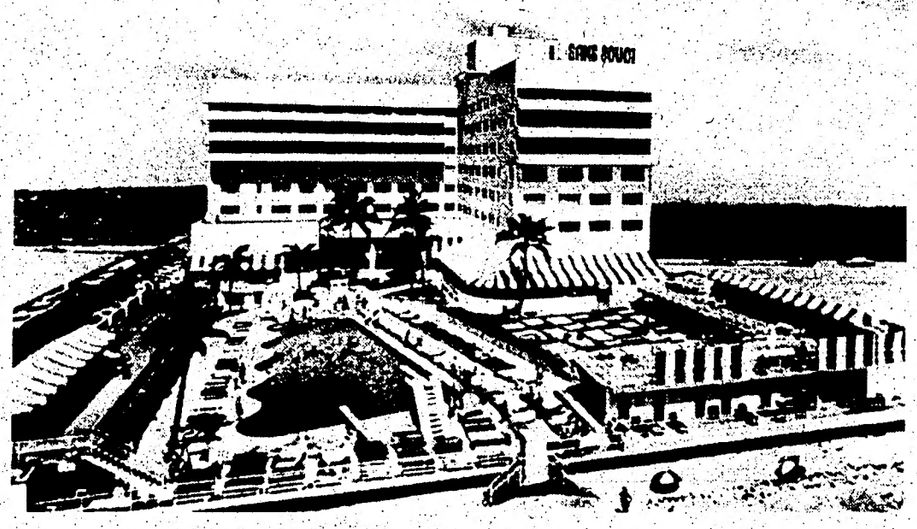

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By
MIRIAM HERMAN

Friday, Oct. 16

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A panel discussion on Parenthood, Biology and Ethics: A Jewish and Legal Perspective dealing with surrogate mothers, artificial insemination and test-tube babies, will be held at Temple Har Zion Friday, Oct. 16, at Shabbat service which begins at 8.30 p.m.

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Saturday, Oct. 17

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Sunday, Oct. 18

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Monday, Oct. 19

SISTERHOOD MEETING

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood's annual membership and brides night on Monday, Oct. 19, will be an enjoyable evening of Israeli folk-dancing instructed by **Ronit Eizenman**. The time is 8 p.m. in the synagogue's Fischtein Hall, 100 Elder St.

Refreshments will be served. The hostess for the evening is **Roslyn Turk**. For information, call the synagogue at 633-3838.

THE SANDWICH GENERATION

The Sandwich Generation is what Baycrest Centre social worker **Lyn Zimmerman** will be discussing at the Monday, Oct. 19, general meeting of Nagilla Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women, a chapter for 40 plus single women.

The meeting will take place at North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St., 2nd floor. There will be a $2 charge. For information, call Eve at 633-6368.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

JUDAISM & THE NEW TECHNOLOGY

Beth Tikvah Sisterhood invites you to the first general meeting of the season on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 8.15 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

The topic will be Judiasm and the New Technology. The guest speaker, **Rabbi Wayne Allen** will explore the implications of innovative reproductive techniques, artificial intelligence, automation and space exploration as they relate to the current and future practice of Judaism.

Everyone is welcome. For information, call the synagogue office at 221-3433.

GROWING UP JEWISH IN CHINA

Oct. 20 has been designated Jewish Education Day internationally. In honor of this occassion, National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, will be presenting **Dolly Beil**, who will talk about Growing Up Jewish In China at its opening general meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 20.

The meeting is open to the public at $6 admission and starts at 12.30 p.m. at the Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. For reservations, call 633-5100.

THE WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

Genealogist **Brian Gilchrist** will be the guest speaker at the Tuesday, Oct. 20, meeting of the Women's Canadian Club taking place at 2.30 p.m. at the Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. W.

For information, call 923-2900.

SHAAR SHALOM SISTERHOOO

The Shaar Shalom Sisterhood meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 20, will feature **Nomi Morris**, a journalist with The Toronto Star and correspondent for the Jerusalem Post, who will give an illustrated talk based on her recent visit to the Soviet Union and the lives of the Refuseniks entitled Survival of the Spirit.

Admission is $2 members, $3 non-members. Everyone is welcome.

A MINI FASHION SHOW

Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood is presenting a mini fashion show at the opening meeting taking place Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 12.15 p.m. sharp, at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. The smart new fashions will be organized by Juliett's Boutique.

Luncheon, at $6, is by reservation only. Call **Ruth Fruitman** at 731-6660 or **Rose Mintz** at 633-7190.

BOOK DISCUSSION

On Tuesday, Oct. 20, **Rabbi Gunther Plaut** will be discussing his recent book, The Letter, at Bathurst Heights Regional Library, 3170 Bathurst St. (north of Lawrence).

The time is 8-10.30 p.m. and admission is free.

JEWISH GET

Yamit Chapter, Na'amat Pioneer Women, will be discussing Jewish Get at its meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 8 p.m. at 160 Lisa Cres., Thornhill.

For information, call the Na'amat office at 636-5425.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

INTERFAITH RELATIONS

Lord Coggan, former Archbishop of Canterbury and honorary president of the International Council of Christians and Jews, will be speaking on International Dimensions of Interfaith Relations on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

This lecture is co-sponsored by Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, The Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto and the Interfaith Committee of Holy Blossom Temple. Everyone is invited and there is no charge.

BIALIK OPEN HOUSE

Bialik Hebrew Day School is having a preschool open house on Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 9.30-11.30 a.m. at 25 Hillmount Ave.

To reserve a seat, call **Nadine Feldman** at 783-3348.

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BB BOND HONOREES

A pre-dinner cocktail reception was held in honor of Paulette and Ted Schwartz, the Raoul Wallenberg Yorkdale Lodge B'nai B'rith Israel Bond honorees. From left are Zigmund Reiser, dinner chairman; David Berk, guest speaker; Paulette and Ted Schwartz, and Sidney Menkis, dinner co-chairman.

ACADEMIC EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Ralph and Roz Halbert (right) sign the academic exchange program that they financed between the University of Toronto, represented by its president George Connell (centre), and Jerusalem's Hebrew University, represented by its president and rector, Amnon Pazy. Also launched was an endowment in the Halbert's name for the program.

Organizations and People

What's New

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NOON HOUR CONCERT

On Wednesday, Oct. 21, the Royal Conservatory of Music's noon hour series presents clarinetist **Avrahm Galper** and pianist **Peteris Zarins** in a concert to include the performance of Four Romantic Pieces by Dvorak. It will take place at 12.15 p.m. in the Royal Conservatory Concert hall, 273 Bloor St. W.

Admission is free.

ANOREXIA/BULIMIA GROUP

The Anorexia/Bulimia Family Support Group Society of Metropolitan Toronto will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 7.30 p.m. at Toronto City Hall, Committee Room 6.

All interested persons are invited to attend this informative-sharing meeting.

For information, call 595-4156.

Thursday, Oct. 22

HARRY RASKY TO SPEAK

Film producer **Harry Rasky** will be the special guest at a screening of his film, To Mend the World, at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 8-10 p.m. He will introduce and discuss the making of the film, a film on art of the Holocaust.

This is the first class in an illustrated lecture series on The Jews and Their Art. These lectures will be complemented by a variety of audio-visual presentations.

Following lectures will be offered on alternate Tuesday evenings, beginning Nov.3. This series is part of Beth Tikvah's Adult Education program.

THE POMEGRANATE GUILD

The Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework, Toronto, Inc., is committed to encourage and inspire the creation, documentation and preservation of authentic Jewish fabric artifacts for use in Jewish ceremonies and life cycle events.

The meeting on Thursday, Oct. 22, will give members the opportunity to work together on the succah project, sharing a variety of techniques. New members are invited to join and participate. Membership is $25 annually. Non-members are welcome for a nominal fee of $2.

The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. For information, call **Faigy Grossman** at 656-5680 or **Karen Sanders** at 445-5250.

JEWISH-CHRISTIAN DIALOGUE

The Jewish-Christian Dialogue group will be meeting on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7.30 p.m. at North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St. For information, call 673-6054 or 764-0014.

SPEAKERS SERIES

The Speakers Series at the YMCA, 567 Sheppard Ave. W., will be focusing on Yes, I'm OK — Improve Your Self-Image, on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 7.30-9.30 p.m.

The cost is $5. For further information, call 225-7773.

And What Else Is New...

REFUSENIK CHILDREN'S PAINTINGS

For the first time in North America, 51 color paintings created by Soviet Refusenik children, ages 4-12, will be displayed at the North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St., Sunday, Oct. 18, through to Sunday, Nov. 1.

This exhibition, organized initially by the Oslo Soviet Jewish Committee, and brought to Canada by **Avrum Siegel** of Beth Tzedec Congregation, will be displayed in cities across this country and the U.S.

The Toronto event is co-sponsored by Adath Israel, Beth Tzedec, Holy Blossom and other Toronto synagogues.

MYTH, MAGIC OR METAPHOR

Rabbi Wayne Allen of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., will give a weekly class on Mondays from Oct. 19-Dec. 4, from 8-9 p.m. on Myth, Magic or Metaphor.

Rabbi Allen will discuss Midrash as related to art and popular themes in Jewish and general art. Some of the issues to be addressed are: Did Moses Have Horns?, What was Adam's Apple?, Angels and Heavenly Hosts, The Leviathan and Other Creatures, The Tribes and Their Symbols, and The Prohibition of Human Form.

This course is part of Beth Tikvah's Adult Education program. The community is invited.

JSU/HILLEL, U OF T

Jewish Students' Union/Hillel Foundation, University of Toronto, events taking place this week at JSU, 604 Spadina Ave., include:

Saturday, Oct. 17 — A house party complete with deejay, cash bar, munchies and movies (call in your movie requests during the week), all beginning at 8.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 20 — The Let's Do Lunch series at noon with humorologist and fun-raiser **Valerie Kates** talking about How to be Unsystematically Outrageous. There will be a free buffet lunch. Call the JSU office at 923-9861 for reservations.

HOLY BLOSSOM PROGRAMS

The Continuing Education Committee of Holy Blossom Temple has just published its fall 1987 program.

Apart from six different study groups run by its rabbis, plus several courses in Hebrew and a range of study opportunities arranged by brotherhood and sisterhood, the temple is sponsoring a series of Dialogues on Sex at which experts in different fields will present their views and the rabbis will offer a Jewish response.

Topics will include AIDS, Homosexuality, Surrogate Motherhood, Abortion and Sex and the Elderly. The series begins on Monday, Oct. 19, at 8 p.m. with **Dr. Hillar Vellend** discussing AIDS — The Facts.

The temple will also be welcoming several scholars and colorful personalities to give lectures and readings, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 8 p.m. with **Lord Coggan**, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, who will lecture on Jewish-Christian relations.

A brochure listing all programs can be obtained from the temple.

VAUGHAN ROAD REUNION

If you were a member of Vaughan Road Collegiate Institute's class of 62, be sure to circle Sunday, Oct. 25, on your calendar. The reunion is being held at De Soto's, 759 Mt. Pleasant Rd. from 7.30-11.30 p.m.

Spouses, guests and dress are all optional and the cost is $15 per person (cash at the door) with buffet, music, memories and a cash bar.

If you have any questions, contact **Riley Moynes** at 982-3317.

CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

Step into fall fashions with a champagne brunch on Sunday, Oct. 25, sponsored by Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood. It takes place at 12.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., Downsview, with fashions by Dvora's Fashions, La Vie En Rose Lingerie and Chaps Mens Wear.

Bring your husbands, family and friends for an informal, enjoyable afternoon. The cost is $18 per person. Reservations are a must, so call 633-5500 or 226-4457 or 497-1730.

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR DAYS

Northwestern General Hospital, in cooperation with Westside Mall, is hosting Community Health Fair Days Oct. 14, 15 and 16 inside the mall (located on Eglinton just west of Caledonia) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Surrounding community agencies as well as several departments within Northwestern Hospital, will have display booths in order to provide the public with information on available services and there will also be several hands-on demonstrations and agency/hospital representatives to answer all questions.

This event is free and open to the public.

HADASSAH LUNCHEON

Leah Chapter of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO is holding a luncheon and fashion show with fashions by Just For You Fashions on Sunday, Nov. 1, at noon at Beth Torah Synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave.

Proceeds will go for Hadassim children in Israel. Admission is $25 per person. There will also be a door prize. RSVP by Oct. 23 by calling **Eva Braun** at 787-8420.

DANCE PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

North York parks and recreation department offers a variety of co-educational and recreational dance programs for children 2½-16 years of age.

Kinder-Dance for the 2½ to 6-year-olds, introduces young children to the basics of dance movement and rythm.

Children 7-16 can choose ballet, jazz, tap or dance performance. Programs are available at beginner and intermediate levels.

Programs are offered at 12 locations in North York. Costs vary. For more information, call 224-6102.

AN EVENING OF MURDER

Sha'aron Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, is sponsoring An Evening of Murder on Saturday, Oct. 13, when an amateur group from the Leah Posluns Theatre will act out the murder mystery.

The time is 8 p.m. at Sheraton Parkway Hotel, 600 Highway 7 E., Richmond Hill. and the cost of $40 per person includes dinner and dancing (tax receipts available). Proceeds will go the BBW charities.

For information, call **Sandi Pearl** at 226-0168.

70TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE

On Sunday, Oct. 25, at a dinner dance at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, the B. Borochov Branch 124 of the Farband will celebrate its 70th anniversary. All branch members, their families and friends are invited to join in an evening of dancing to Bill Berle's orchestra and entertainment by Cantor David Bagley. The special guest speaker will be Rabbi Jordan Pearlson. From left are Leo Hertzberg, president, Branch 124; Adam Altenberg, treasurer; Freda Band and Jacob Egit, co-chairmen, anniversary committee, and David Zweig, honorary chairman. For reservations, call 636-4201.

ORT SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

Givatayim Chapter of Toronto Women's ORT recently held its annual scholarship luncheon in honor of Sophie Bennett. From left are Marilyn Somers, president, Toronto Women's ORT; Felice Gropper, co-president, Givatayim Chapter; Benjamin Abileah, consul-general of Israel, and the guest speaker Harriet Morton, president, Women's Canadian ORT. [Michael Markovich photo]

TEL-AIDE VOLUNTEERS

Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line is seeking additional applicants to train as phone volunteers. Volunteer applicants should be good listeners.

A 5-session training course is being arranged. The minimum age for applicants is 18 years. Some telephone volunteers in the program are seniors. Interested men and women can obtain an application form by calling 636-9610.

Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line began in the spring of 1985 and is a project of Toronto Jewish Congress.

CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW

As in the past, Shaarei Shomayim Congregation is again offering evening courses in conversational Hebrew — elementary level and intermediate-advanced level. A prerequisite is beginners reading.

Classes begin the week of Oct. 19 and will run for 10 weeks. For further information and registration, call the instructor **Yael Lev** at 225-6151.

SUZUKI TOUR GROUP CONCERT

Ten remarkable young Japanese soloists will perform works by such masters as Bach, Chopin and Tchaikovsky on piano, cello and violin at a concert taking place Oct. 16 at 7.30 p.m. at Minkler Auditorium, Seneca College, 1750 Finch Ave. E.

The young musicians, aged 9 to 15, are all students in **Dr. Shin'ichi Suzuki's** world famous talent education program. This is their only Canadian appearance.

Tickets for this musical event are available through BASS by calling 872-2277.

BAYCREST VOLUNTEERS

Are you friendly and outgoing, looking for a rewarding experience? Then become a volunteer for Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.

Volunteers are needed to visit elderly patients and residents. The hours are flexible.

Assistance is also needed for evening programs — 6-8 p.m. or 7-9 p.m. The programs are bingo, armchair travel, entertainment night and pub night.

If you are interested, call the volunteer office at 789-5131, ext. 2572.

OVERSEAS INVESTMENT

On Thursday, Oct. 29, at 6 p.m., the North

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York property and economic development department, in cooperation with the Mandarins Ltd., will be sponsoring the first ever Overseas Investment Networking Forum in North York. This event will feature speakers on How to Qualify for Canadian Investments, Identifying Qualified Investors and Manufacturing Start-Up in Canada.

Those in attendance will include manufacturers, private investors and government and private agencies involved in international import and export trade and foreign investment.

The forum will be held in the Alderman's Lounge and Committee Room 2 in the Civic Centre, 5100 Yonge St.

Register for this event by sending a check for $20, payable to the City of North York, to City of North Nork, Investment Forum, Property and Economic Development Dept., 5100 Yonge St., North York, Ont., M2N 1P2. Pre-register by Oct. 21, or if late, confirm by phone by calling 224-6475.

HEBREW IN-HOME PROGRAM

Enrolment in the new and innovative Hebrew Study program through computers is now open. The program enables children to learn Hebrew reading and comprehension with a mobile computer system brought into the home.

Three children meet for classes for 1½-2 hours weekly. Adult, private and bar/bat mitzvah classes are also available.

Call 764-0014 to enrol.

SAVE-A-CHILD

A child-care lifesaver course is being offered to parents and caregivers on Mondays from 7.30-9.30 p.m., beginning Oct. 19. Areas covered include infant whiplash, seatbelt laws, toys, streetproofing, first aid and such.

A St. John Ambulance instructor will lead this group (a minimum of 10 is required for each course) at the Central Eglinton Community Centre, 555 Mt. Pleasant Rd. Call 487-4096 for information and registration.

at the jcc

Meet others and listen to the exciting sounds of **Colin Linden**, Toronto's renowned folk musician, on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 7.30-11 p.m. at the Folk Cafe at the Bloor Y branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). Admission is $6 JCC members, $8 non-members. For further information, call 924-6211.

The JCC is organizing a trip to Israel in March, 1988, for single people. If you are interested, contact **Sarah Casse** at 924-6211.

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network's Club 49 Plus? invites all those 49 years of age and over to a mix and mingle dessert night on Saturday, Oct. 24, at the JCC Valley upstairs party room, 7015 Leslie St. The charge is $6 members with cards, $8 non-members and refreshments are included. For information, call **Sally Kerbel** at 889-0813.

The Singles Network is holding a planning meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 8 p.m. in the upstairs party room of the JCC Valley. This is open to single people who are willing to offer ideas and help with programs for the coming season. For more information, call Sally Kerbel at above number.

How ghoulish can you get? Would you like to dress up outlandishly and would you like to see what others can do with a costume? The Singles Network is holding a holiday costume party and dance on Sunday, Oct. 25, at 8.30 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. (Best costumes, both male amd female, will win a prize.) Even if you don't feel like putting on a costume, come anyway. The deejay will keep you hopping. The charge is $5 members with cards, $7 non-members.

The Singles Social Hotline provides 24-hour taped information on happenings in the Jewish community. The number is 889-5101.

for seniors

The Senior Adult Club at the North Y JCC, 4588 Bathurst St., is continuing its very popular program, Learning Experiences, on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 1 p.m. in Room 204. **Tutzi Seguin**, an award-winning artist who has exhibited in many art shows across Canada and abroad, will present Around the World in 60 Minutes. Refreshments will be served. The charge is 25 cents, members, 50 cents non-members. For further information, call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 232...The Senior Adult Club has arranged a dance for Saturday, Oct. 24, at 8 p.m. at North Y with **Maurice Turk** and his orchestra and refreshments. Admission is $5 members, $6 non-members. Tickets are available in the Senior Lounge. For further information, contact **Teme Kernerman** at above number.

A new course in bridge for beginners starts Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 1 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. Intermediate players are welcome to attend classes and refresh their knowledge of the rules and receive assistance in the play-out. There is no charge for members, non-members will be charged $10 which includes participation in all social activities at no extra charge. Register at the front desk. For more information, call**Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880.

Beth Sholom Seniors will meet Tuesday, Oct. 21, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. The program will include entertainment and refreshments. The charge is $1 members, $2 non-members. Dues are $10 a year, payable in June. For information, call **Eve Donsky**, vice-president and publicity chairman, at 782-1068.

At the Tuesday, Oct. 20, meeting of the **Senior Sinais**, a program on Physical Fitness with audience participation will be conducted by **Denise Levinter**. The time is 1 p.m. at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave. The charge is $1 members, $2 non-members.

Coffeehouse 60 meets every Tuesday for a conversation group and/or drama club at 1 p.m. at the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). Newcomers are always welcome. For information, call **Sarah Casse** at 924-6211.

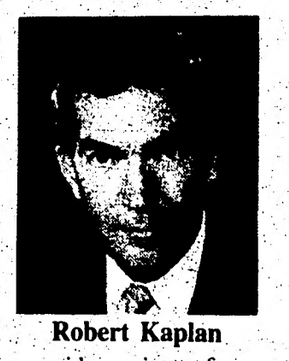
On Wednesday, Oct. 21, **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** will be presenting a musicale with piano selections of the romantic era featuring **Diane Dolman**. The time is 1.30 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

Club Chaverim at the JCC North-East Valley, 7015 Leslie St., is starting art classes on Monday mornings from 9.45 to noon. The cost is $20 for 10 lessons, paints and supplies extra. For information, contact **Sally Kerbel** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

Workmen's Circle Social Club meets for bingo and lunch on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Be sure to come out and straighten out your Miami account. For information, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club's next dance with a live band takes place Sunday, Oct. 18, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). The charge is $3 members, $4 non-members...Bingo will be held at 2 p.m. every Wednesday starting Oct. 21...Tai Chi classes, free to members only, will be held on Monday mornings, beginning Oct. 19...The bazaar is set for Sunday, Oct. 25. Saleable items, either new or gently used, would be greatly appreciated...For information regarding any events call the club office at 636-7856, Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Suntime 55 Plus group invites you to join in the inclusive suntime holiday in Miami at the elegant Colonial Inn resort on the oceanfront at 181st St. from Jan. 7-Feb. 1. The price is in Canadian funds. The tour includes air transportation, hotel accommodation, all transfers, complete insurance package, all gratuities, floor shows and all activities plus much more. Space is limited. For information, call **Sylvia** at 665-1768.



Robert Kaplan

Liberal MP **Robert Kaplan**, official Opposition justice critic, will address the regular monthly luncheon meeting of the **LZA Seniors Club** on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 11.30 a.m. at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. . . . The club offers its members a wide variety of activities including daily social events from noon to 4 p.m. with light lunches served . . . A choir is being organized under the direction of **Lillian Katz**. Registration for the choir will take place at the Oct. 21 meeting . . . There is shuffleboard every Tuesday and Thursday evening with refreshments served . . . Plans are now underway for the organization of a dance club and exercise club. Interested members are asked to state their interest at the luncheon meeting.

Canadian Pensioners Concerned, a group of retired persons and seniors, 60 years of age and over, is holding its general monthly meeting on Monday, Oct. 19, at 1 p.m. at Metropolitan United Church House, 51 Bond St. The speaker will be gerontologist **Greta Riddell-Dixon**. For information, call 368-5222.

The Wagman Centre Self-help Program, a non-sectarian, free, supportive service for women 55-70 years of age, widowed less than two years, meets every second Sunday from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The coordinator of the group is **Toby Warsh**. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 25. For information, call the Wagman Centre at 789-55131, ext. 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Widows 70 and Over Program at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., meets every second Monday from 1.30-3 p.m. in the conference room. The next meeting is Monday, Oct. 26. The coordinator is **Micky Zimmerman**. For information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — Seven sessions of illustrated lectures dealing with the history and style of Jewish music from ancient times to the present will be held on Thursday evenings from 7.30-9.30, in the Assembly Room, starting Oct. 22. Lecturers include **Ben Steinberg**, who is the coordinator of the program, **Gordon Kushner, Judith Cohen** and **Igor Kuchinsky**...The Joy of Theatre group will be seeing Toronto-Mississippi at the Tarragon Theatre on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7.30 p.m. The cost is $8. If you wish to attend, you may pay for your tickets one week in advance at the Wagman Centre office. For further information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The La'Briyut Wellness Centre health lecture series is presenting Laughing Matters: Play For The Health Of It with therapist and lecturer **Shirley Routiffe** on Thursday, Oct. 29, at 1.30 p.m. Health lectures are open to all interested individuals. Members pay no fee, non-members are charged $1.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Oct. 21, at 1.30 p.m. features singer-comic-entertainer **Bert Levy**. Refreshments are served after the entertainment. The price is $1.25 members, $1.75 non-members.

The day tour on Monday, Oct. 19, is headed for Rochester, NY, and lunch at the Jewish Community Centre there. There will be entertainment following lunch or a visit to the Woodbury Strong Doll Museum. The price of $18 includes transportation, lunch and admissions. This tour is fully booked, but if you would like to know about upcoming trips, call **Barbara Zigler** at 225-2112.

About People

Edith Narvey-Komisar

Linda Segal

MUSICAL DUO

Soprano **Linda Segal** and pianist **Edith Narvey-Komisar** have become a musical team with something new to offer. They have prepared musical programs with accompanying scripts based on a variety of Jewish and Israeli themes. Their most recent program, Musical Migrations: Two Traditions of Jewish Music, combines Ladino melodies with Ashkenazi music.

Both former Winnipeggers, they have long been involved in Toronto's musical world. Segal has been a member and soloist of the Beth Tikvah Choir for almost 18 years and Narvey-Komisar, an accomplished music teacher, is presently accompanist for Holy Blossom Temple Singers as well as conductor-accompanist for Edith Narvey's Heritage Singers.

If you would like to know more about these programs, call Linda Segal at 223-2554 or Edith Narvey-Komisar at 431-5002.

TEL AVIV U APPOINTMENT

Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University and the university authorities have announced the appointment of **Randi Elkind** to the position of coordinator of student affairs for the overseas student program. Randi is a native Torontonian who recently graduated from the University of Toronto with a BA in political science. She participated in the 1986 spring program at Tel Aviv University and is full of enthusiasm and ideas.

Randi Elkind

Headquartered in Toronto, she will be involved in facilitating Canadian students' study in Israel.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News. For information on rates and deadlines please call Karen at 422-2528.

Mayfair West Raquet Club, 3855 Chesswood Drive, Downsview, is organizing its first singles party of the season, Saturday, Oct. 24. Tennis Round Robin from 7:30 p.m. — 10:30 p.m. Dance 9:00 p.m. Cost $15.00, Dance only $7.00. Reserve early. Call Marcia Levine 638-1010.

Party for College and University educated men and women. Ages 25-45. High Society 783-8520.

Wednesday, October 28 — Discussion/Support Group. J.C.C. Valley Singles Network, 7015 Leslie St. Join us for a warm, enjoyable, relaxed evening of discussion about our joys, our worries, our problems, and triumphs. This group will be led by Fran Dalal. Everyone welcome. Refreshments will be served afterwards. The fun begins at 8:00 p.m. and the cost is $3.00 for members, and $5.00 for non-members. Sally Kerbel 889-0813.

Collin Linden, Folk Musician performs at the Bloor Y's Folk Cafe, 750 Spadina, Thurs. Oct. 22, 7:30 — 11:00 p.m. $6.00 J.C.C. Members, $8.00 Non-members.

Israel March "88" — Jewish Community Centre is organizing a 2 week tour of Israel for single people. Contact Sarah Casse for details 924-6211.

Russia And The Jews, this is a topic of Cantor Eliezer Kirschblum, presentation with slides from his recent trip to the Soviet Union. Beth Tikvah Chai Singles (35-plus), Sunday, Oct. 18, 8:00 p.m., 3080 Bayview. Members $3.00, Visitors $5.00. Includes refreshments. Membership $18.00/year. Eligible persons can join at the door. See you there. Information 499-1992.

Singles Rendezvous (25-45). Friday, Oct. 23, 8:30 p.m. — Party, D.J. — Celebrities Disco, Harbour Castle Hotel, $3.00 cover. Sunday, Nov. 8, noon — Leah Posluns Theatre — Backstage Tour, musical "The Right Step," reception with cast. Payment deadline Oct. 25. George 782-5627.

NISSIM HONORED

At a luncheon held at the home of Ruth Abileah, wife of the Israel consul-general, in honor of Ruth Nissim, wife of Moshe Nissim, finance minister of Israel, are (from left) Sylvia Shawn, chairman, Women's Division, Toronto State of Israel Bonds; Nissim and Abileah.

Freda Keet (centre), luncheon keynote speaker at UJA Day, is seen with Carol Kassel (left) chairman for the event, and Women's Campaign chairman Judy Scheininger.

UJA Day speaker says:

Media focus hurts Israel

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
Through the generations, Jewish women have been the guarantors of Jewish survival, maintaining the home and all its traditions, Freda Keet told 350 women at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

Keet, a broadcast journalist and former anchorperson with Kol Israel-Israel Radio, began her address at UJA Day with the above statement coupled with a tribute to the organizers of the day sponsored by Jewish Women's Federation United Jewish Appeal Women's Campaign.

Referring to herself as a late-blooming feminist, she spoke of the caring and sharing between Jewish women that makes for an "extraordinary sisterhood."

She then zeroed in on her topic "Israel in the eyes of the world in the eye of the storm," focusing on the inordinate amount of attention "this little country, no bigger than New Jersey" receives in the world media.

Keet quoted from a statement made shortly after the establishment of the Jewish state, that Israel will be considered a normal nation when it has thieves, rogues and prostitutes.

"We do have our share of thieves, rogues and prostitutes, but is Israel normal?" she asked. "We will be normal when the world accepts us and we are no longer under the laser beam of attention."

Always being in the forefront of world news carries a price, Keet continued. "There has been a slow, gradual force of alienation. We went from the world's darling to its whipping boy, and from valiant little democracy to threatening giant. Israel has become an outcast nation that now carries the role of scapegoat for the world's ills.

"The change for the worst was inevitable after the 20-year honeymoon," she commented, "going from martyr to victor."

The world, she said, feels comfortable with the Jew as victim, but is very uneasy with a Jew driving a tank, especially a tank made in Israel by Israelis.

According to Keet the war in Lebanon was the catalyst for what she termed "the media pogrom" against Israel. Veteran journalists, she said, began to pontificate and moralize. "There was a deliberate use of the Holocaust image, with headlines that likened the PLO to the Warsaw ghetto fighters."

TV news, she added, is showbiz. "You grab the headline to make the deadline, with no checks and balances. You cannot understand Israel outside history and TV has no time for history."

Anti-semitism is ingrained in the Christian-European conscience, Keet went on, and the Lebanese war gave the Gentile world an out and an opportunity to celebrate its freedom from guilt over the Holocaust.

The war in Lebanon, Keet claims, is a case study in media hysteria. "The hysteria accomplished one good thing — it went too far and now there is general media agreement that something did go wrong."

She concluded by stating "we must fight back and answer our attackers. We are an abnormal people with an abnormal past, living in an abnormal land and always will be treated abnormally by the world."

Speaking on behalf of Women's Campaign, chairman Judy Scheininger pointed out how UJA helps "to unite us and renew commitment to our heritage each year. UJA is our vehicle for caring and responding, for bridging the gap between poverty and dignity."

The Jewish poor are never mentioned in the media, she stated, but in Toronto there are 20,000 living at or below the poverty level. Of paramount importance, she told her audience, is the rescue of Jews from lands of persecution, a costly operation which UJA dollars help to make possible.

Participating in the luncheon program were UJA Day chairman Carol Kassel, Jewish Women's Federation president, Sheila Engel, and representing the campaign leadership was Harold Lederman, 1988 campaign co-chairman.

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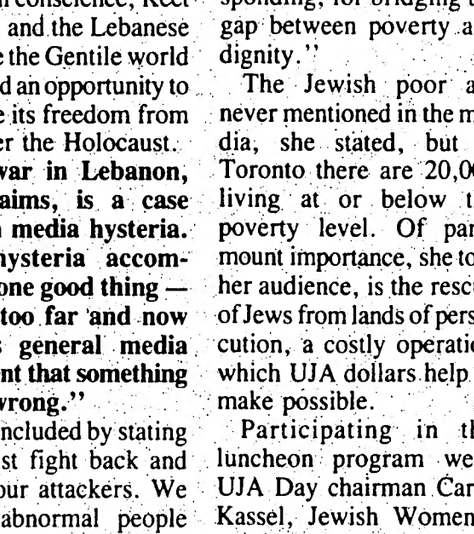

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Organizations and People

North York council unanimous

Places of worship given "no restriction" nod

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
North York City Council last week adopted a task force's recommendations that would allow places of worship to be located in residential neighborhoods.

In an 18-0 decision, council adopted the task force's recommendation that no limit be placed on permitted locations for places of worship, including on small streets in residential neighborhoods.

However, under terms of the bylaw, new places of worship and extensions to existing ones will be limited in size and be required to provide parking spaces according to a prescribed formula.

Council also made the Houses of Worship Task Force a standing committee of council which will be called upon to examine issues that may affect ratepayers and the city's many faith communities.

According to Bernie Farber, who represented Toronto Jewish Congress on the task force, the bylaw requires the greater of one parking space for every 50 square feet of gross floor area in the main area of worship, or one space for every 300 square feet of gross floor area in the building.

Farber noted the parking requirements apply only to new structures or to extensions of existing structures. He said existing places of worship that already have applied for a building permit will be governed by the old standards.

Other aspects of the new bylaw cover a number of aspects of places of worship, including set-backs, landscaping and size.

While the bylaw does not limit *where* places of worship can be situated, it does limit their size.

(One ratepayer's suggestion considered by council and the task force was locating places of worship only on major roads.

(Spokesmen for a number of churches and Toronto Jewish Congress were concerned that land prices on major arteries would make it financially prohibitive for many congregations to build there. They also argued before council that churches and synagogues belong in the neighborhoods they are serving, and not on major roads in commercial districts.)

Under the bylaw adopted by council, places of worship on local collector roads in residential neighborhoods can have a maximum floor area of 15,000 square feet.

Those on larger arterial roads (such as Glencairn Ave.) are limited to a maximum floor area of 25,000 square feet, about the size of the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue on Glencairn.

Farber said Congress is not entirely happy with the final resolutions adopted by council since the parking requirements make it very onerous to build. But, another of TJC's main points, that congregations be allowed to build in residential neighborhoods "as of right," was adopted by the task force and council, he said.

The parking requirements were difficult to oppose since most other Ontario municipalities have adopted similar ones, he added. He said others on the 10-man task force — it consisted of representatives of faith groups, ratepayers and councillors — also had to compromise. "While no one is really happy with (the bylaw), everyone's prepared to live with it."

Farber noted no one gave the task force much chance for success when it was constituted last spring as a result of a suggestion by TJC. In the end, he said, after hard work and compromises, a solution was found for what appeared an insoluble situation.

Council adopted eight of the task force's recommendations. One was sent back for further study. It would have required that no two new places of worship be located within 2,000 feet (less than half a mile) of each other.

Negev dinner chairman set

TORONTO —
Lionel Schipper will be chairman of the Jewish National Fund's 1987 Negev dinner, to be held Dec. 6 at the Royal York Hotel, which will honor fellow law partner Edwin Goodman.

The announcement was made by Alan Posluns, JNF president, who said it was a natural choice.

"Lionel spent many years with Eddie Goodman as partners in the law firm of Goodman & Goodman. And perhaps more importantly, the two have been great friends for many years. Lionel's involvement with the Jewish Community as well as the community at large is, in part, a result of his close friendship with Eddie."

Schipper, president of Schipper Enterprises Inc., a private investment firm, is a director of several companies, including Co-Steel Inc., Noma Industries Ltd., Magna International Inc.

Lionel Schipper

and the Toronto Sun Publishing Corp.

He is currently a director of: the Alzheimer Society; Baycrest Centre Foundation; and the Stadium Corp. of Ontario. He is also past chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Toronto.

Schipper and his wife Carol have four children, Stuart, Ruthe, Marilyn and Michael.

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Ability to deal with stress can improve effectiveness

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
Learning how to relax your body and mind, and manage the stresses and tensions you face every day, can significantly improve your effectiveness and strengthen your immune system, says stress consultant Eli Bay, the founder-director of the Relaxation Response Centre in Toronto.

TVOntario will premiere a 6-part television series, Beyond Stress, which will begin 10 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 20.

Bay is a pioneer and teacher in the effective transmission of relaxation skills. He has taught thousands of people in small private classes and workshops how to live a healthier and more positive lifestyle. The television series is based on his experience with people from all walks of life.

Eli Bay

"The course was just super," says Peter Green, the international president of Canadian Wire and Cable who participated in one of Bay's stress management workshops for executives. "I have more energy, I sleep better and enjoy a generally more agreeable mood. I'd give it an A plus," adds Green.

Bay's long list of organizational clients includes IBM, Price Waterhouse, Clarkson Gordon, Apple Computers, and the Ontario and New Brunswick government whose senior and middle management executives have participated in workshops which enable them to cope with the stresses of the business world.

He says that the research has led him to a study on how relaxation and thought power can strengthen the body's immune system.

Bay notes that the American Academy of Science has estimated that between 70 and 80% of patient illness, including heart disease, cancer, arthritis, allergies, and even the common cold, are stress-related.

"Stress is unavoidable," he says. "When I began my study on the development of human potential, I became interested in the relaxation techniques practiced in Eastern countries. These include meditation, deep breathing and physical exercise."

Bay has been an associate of the Dr. Hans Selye Canadian Institute of Stress and on the Faculty of the Canadian School of Management's Centre for Human Intelligence.

The stress management program he developed in 1978 combines the Eastern and Western disciplines and involves mental techniques in handling stress. Through a carefully guided series of techniques including muscle relaxation, deep breathing and exercises designed to quiet and focus the mind, participants learn skills which provide them with "triggers that enable them to control stress in their everyday situations."

He says, "Ask yourself: Do I have tension headaches, shortness of breath, feel that things are out of control, indecisive, fatigued or having trouble concentrating? If you answer yes to any of these questions, you may need help in learning to relax."

Bay believes that anyone living in an urban environment in the 1980s would certainly benefit from learning the science of relaxation. "To tell another to relax, and not to tell him how, is to tell a man to till a field and not supply a plow."

The Relaxation Response Centre is located in 858 Eglinton Ave. W., Suite 108, Toronto M6C 2B6; (416) 789-7261.

On the TVOntario series, Bay says he will demonstrate his "survival skills of the 1980s." Print and audio materials relating to the Beyond Stress series are available for $36. These, says Bay, will help viewers practice relaxation techniques in their own homes at their own convenience.

Send your check to TVOntario Registration, Box 200, Station Q, Toronto, M4T 2T1. To register for the course, using Mastercard or Visa, call TVOntario at 491-1801 or toll-free outside Toronto, 1 (800) 263-3358.

West German pension criteria to be discussed

TORONTO —
A representative of the social insurance authority of West Germany will visit Ontario centres to discuss eligibility criteria for those with rights to a West German pension.

Under terms of an agreement between Canada and West Germany expected to take effect in spring 1988, payments to Canadian nationals within a limited scope are permitted.

One example cited by an information bulletin of the West German Federal Insurance Institution for Salaried Employees notes that someone insured for only 12 months in Germany may be entitled to some benefits under certain conditions.

This applies to those who labored in Germany prior to, during and after World War II.

Detailed information about pension eligibility can be obtained at the following times and locations:

- Windsor, 185 Ouellette Ave., 2nd floor; Oct. 19 and 21, 9 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Oct. 20, 10 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- London, 457 Richmond St., Suite 101; Oct. 22 and 26 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- Kitchener, 151 Frederick St., 3rd floor; Oct. 27 and 29 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- **Willowdale, 4900 Yonge St., Level 1; Nov. 2, 3, 4, and 6 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

Nov. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- St. Catharines, 600 Lake St., Altersheim Heidehof; Oct. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

General information on the new agreement can be obtained at the following locations:

- Oct. 19 in Windsor at the Teutonia Club at 7.30 p.m.
- Oct. 22 in London at the German-Canadian Club at 7.30 p.m.
- Oct. 27 in Kitchener at the Concordia Club at 7.30 p.m.
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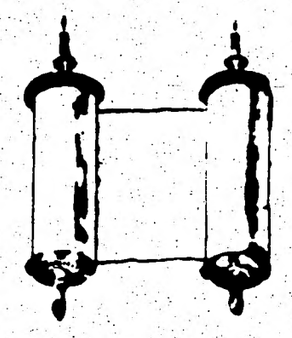

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Breshit

Torah gives life, gives light, gives a road map to our futures.

But you have to be willing to sacrifice to keep its purity.

The Kuznitzer Maggid related: When I was a child, my father thought that I was sneaking out with my friends playing games.

I was given a candle and told to return when it burned down. One night, the candle burned almost all night, and I sat studying. When I returned, my father thought I had been out, and struck me.

I knew that if I told him the truth, he would have believed me — he knew I never lied. But I didn't want to gain privilege even a hair-breadth from Torah.

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Torah gives us self-control. In a crazy world, we have to have some values, some direction.

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Consider . . . Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden, and they were warned not to eat from the Tree of Knowledge.

What was that forbidden fruit?

A grape, says Rabbi Judah in the Talmud.

A fig, says Rabbi Yossi.

No, an etrog, claims Rabbi Abba.

It was wheat! insists Rabbi Meir.

Well, whichever — grape, fig, etrog, wheat — they are after all not **that** special, that critical! Why should they break God's command for such regular fruits?

But the key lies in the words of God's reprimand: "Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat!"

The command **not to** made it attractive! Because it was forbidden, it was tempting. It was not the fruit, it was the test, the challenge, the wall that was beautiful to skip over.

They had a garden full of the best and the finest and for free, and they had each other. Everything was kosher — except for one little fruit, one little etrog tree, or fig tree, or wheat stalk.

Life is good. If you can walk, you are rich. If you can see and hear, you are wealthy. If you can feel and love, you have everything. We should all be happy — but no!

What we don't have, that is beautiful. What we lack, what is forbidden by law or circumstance, some Yetzer Horah — that is what we pursue!

Only Torah can give us a little self-control!

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A big tzaddik once ransomed a young damsel, and circumstances dictated that she had to stay in his home overnight.

He put her on the loft above and he slept downstairs alone. In the middle of the night, his yetzer horah took control, and he decided to visit her upstairs.

He placed the ladder back up to the loft, and began climbing up, rung by rung. He was almost up to the top when he considered what he was doing.

But his yetzer horah whispered: "Come on, you did your mitzvah for the day already, don't worry." He was trapped between his yetzer and his conscience.

He screamed out: "Fire! Fire!" The neighbors came running with buckets of water. Where's the fire?

"My Yetzer Horah!" he cried. "My Yetzer Horah is burning like a fire! Stop me!" May our good desires burn like fire. Shabbat Shalom.

Kicks off Nov. 28

CJC plenary chance to air views

TORONTO —

Ontario's Jewish community will have its say, and an opportunity to air its views, problems and concerns, at the 26th regional plenary of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, on Saturday, Nov. 28 and Sunday, Nov. 29.

The regional plenaries, which alternate with national CJC plenaries, are held every three years and "serve to assess the state of Ontario's 150,000 Jews," says plenary chairman Gella Rothstein. They also serve as a vehicle to map strategy and policies for the next three years.

The plenary will take place in the middle of Ontario Region chairman Charles Zaionz's term.

Issues such as intermarriage, Jewish unity, Holocaust denial, Soviet Jewry and multiculturalism will be examined in several concurrent workshops.

Gella Rothstein

The plenary kicks off on Nov. 28 at 8 p.m. at the North York Memorial Community Hall, 5110 Yonge St., with a program entitled "One People: Diversity Within Unity?" The panel will feature three rabbis: Rabbi Reuven Bulka from Ottawa will represent the Orthodox view, Rabbi Dow Marmur will put forward the Reform point of view and Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, executive vice-president of the Rabbinical Assembly in New York, will present the Conservative side.

The program, designed to publicly discuss polarization between Judaism's main branches and how differences can be overcome, is open to the public. A social program will follow.

Pre-registration is required of all the Sunday workshops. Participants may include members of the Ontario Region Council, community and Jewish organizational representatives and invited guests.

The Sunday plenary, entitled Assimilation, Intermarriage and Jewish Identity: Will Your Grandchildren be Jewish? will look at intermarriage in Ontario, estimated to be about 16%.

The speaker will be Dr. Stuart Schoenfeld, a sociologist at York University who is examining the results of a study conducted by Ontario Region, which showed that intermarriage is more prevalent in the province's outlying areas than in larger cities.

Panelists will be Prof. Irving Block of London, Prof. William Shaffir of Hamilton and historian Alti Rodal of Ottawa.

A workshop on Soviet Jewry, entitled "Let My People Go: Emigration or Aliya?" will examine the situation of where Soviet Jewish emigres go — Israel or the West — and why.

Panelists will include Jeanette Goldman, immediate past chairman of Ontario Region's Soviet Jewry Committee; Shai Barzel, Israel's consul in New York; Micah Naftolin, the Washington representative of the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews and former Refusenik Alexander Mariasin, who was allowed to leave the Soviet Union in February of this year.

A session on multicultural policy in Canada will feature Jim Fleming, the former federal minister responsible for multiculturalism, journalist Doug Fisher and Prof. Harold Troper, co-author of None is Too Many.

Other workshops will examine the role of the Jewish newspaper, the perception of Israel today and distortions and misuse of the Holocaust.

For more information, call CJC at (416) 635-2883.

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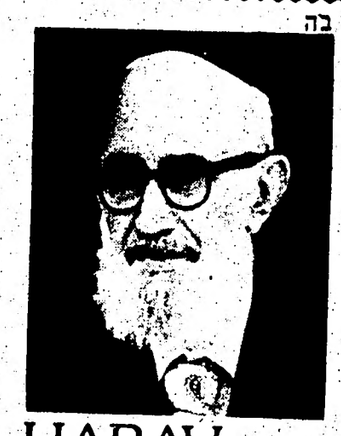

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Organizations and People

Focuses on trinity of Jewish faith

Author makes intellectual case for Judaism

By
PHILLIP FINE

TORONTO —

Jews should be faithful to their Jewishness — not because they were born Jewish but because the intellectual case for Judaism is so strong, lecturer and author Dennis Prager recently told an audience at the Leah Posluns theatre.

Speaking to a near capacity crowd in an event sponsored by Aish Ha-Torah, Prager urged Jews who came of age in the 1960s and 70s to keep their faith because of Judaism's social and ethical relevance to the modern world.

Prager, 39, lives in Los Angeles where he writes a weekly column on religion for The Los Angeles Herald Examiner and hosts Religion on the Line on radio station KABC.

The New York City native publishes Ultimate Issues, a quarterly journal, and has written The Nine Questions People Ask About Judaism and Why The Jews? The Reason for Anti-Semitism.

In making his case for Judaism, he focused on what he called the trinity of the Jewish faith: God, Torah and Israel.

Treating the first of the three, Prager said Judaism was and is relevant because of its belief in one universal God and in one universal set of God's ethics.

The two, Prager said, became one in Judaism. As a result, he explained, the world came to know that "God without ethics leads to evil . . . and ethics without God leads to evil."

Judaism taught man that "there is a God who demands ethics," he said.

A man might believe himself to be good but would not necessarily be so unless he could justify his actions before God, Prager explained.

Such a task, he continued, is understandably difficult and the realization that it is, he added, was yet another of Judaism's contributions to civilization. Jews believe man only achieves goodness by working at it every day of his life, he said.

"It is harder to make a good person than it is to make a good surgeon," said Prager, who added that Judaism's view of human nature was "one of the most sober views of human nature" he could think of.

Turning to the second strand of the Jewish trinity, Prager called the Torah yet another of Judaism's global contributions because of its gift of a practical guide for achieving goodness.

How do you make a man good, Prager asked rhetorically? You give him a blueprint for ethical behavior, he told his audience.

Israel, the third strand of the trinity, was important, said Prager, because it introduced the world to the concept of a people working collectively to bring about change. One man acting alone could do little to make the world a better place. But a people working together could, Prager explained.

The notion of a collectivity, he continued, differentiates Judaism from Christianity. The latter, he said, is concerned with individual salvation. But Judaism, Prager explained, is concerned with the well-being of an entire people.

That emphasis on the collectivity, Prager added, has given Jews an empathy for the needs and wants of other peoples.

He said that an intellectual case must be made for Judaism because many young Jews won't accept Jewish values on mere faith alone. They need to be shown why they should embrace Judaism — not told to do so because "God says so."

The reluctance of young Jews to accept their faith as a given, Prager said, stems from the waning of Judaism as a means of self-identification. Jews no longer believe they will disappear as Jews if they disregard their faith, because Jews no longer face a Gentile world that is both overwhelming and hostile, he said.

Although Prager spoke for over an hour, he spiced his speech with pointed examples — many of which left his audience in stitches.

Speaking, for example, on the importance of ethical standards, he mocked those who would argue that biblical teachings have scant value in modern society.

"You're walking in a dark alley in any American city at 3 a.m. and you meet 10 people. Would you or would you not be relieved to know that they had just attended a Bible class?" Prager asked.

Peace debate faces dilemmas

By
GARY POGROW

VANCOUVER —

The political debate about peace in Israel is not really between hawks and doves or about security. Prof. Shlomo Avineri of the Hebrew University told the recent Federation Celebration, the inauguration of the fall campaign of the Combined Jewish Appeal here.

"The debate is between brothers and sisters who think they know what's right for the Jews," Avineri said. "It is two competing views of the Zionist agenda and it is the most momentous debate since 1948."

The political science professor spoke to a standing room audience of nearly 800 persons in the ballroom of Canada Place for the launching for the first combined appeal of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver which was incorporated Jan. 1.

The event also featured The Mazel Tones, a klezmer band from Seattle, and Orot Hashechuna - Lights of Our Neighborhood, a 20-member group of singers and dancers from Kfar Yona, an Israeli settlement aided by Project Renewal.

Avineri encouraged people to argue passionately about Israel's future but to also recognize the legitimate position of the other.

"In the end we have to make up our minds — we are all in it together. And the majority vote should not estrange each other because we have to live with the consequences."

One of the problems of the political debate about peace in Israel is that "there is so much detail that we lose sight of the overall picture."

Avineri said the political structures of Israel are like the communal structures of Jewish communities in places like Vancouver.

"Federation and pluralism are the nature of politics. Our ability to preserve and change a structure is our secret for 2,000 years. Don't look at us, look at yourselves. We are one."

Frances Belzberg, member of the board of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver, told the gathering: "Not only is our community accommodating change, we are thriving on it."

Belzberg spoke about the federation's goal of $4.8 million for local, national and global needs and the new 1-line method of fund raising. This will eliminate the choice of choosing between Jews here and Israel. "If we fail to meet Israel's needs, then we fail at home. If we fail at home, then we fail Israel."

She invited everyone to "translate your commitment commensurate with your ability to give."

The evening was chaired by William Levine, 1987 chairman of The Combined Jewish Appeal. Joining Belzberg and Levine at the head table were Harriet Spiro, chairman and permanent board member of the Women's Division of CJA; Robert Coleman, president of the JFGV; Stephen Drysdale, JFGV executive director; and David Kline, president of the Vancouver Chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

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Butcher takes over Winnipeg's kosher eatery

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Omnitsky & Sons, Winnipeg's leading kosher butcher, has expanded into new areas, and Mooni's Catering Ltd., the city's oldest kosher catering operation will soon be following suit.

Last March, Allan and Eppie Rappaport, co-owners of Omnitsky & Sons, bought Zipursky's Kosher Meat Market, the South End's only kosher butcher shop. In May, they took over the YMHA restaurant, the city's only kosher restaurant, an operation that has been struggling for years.

With only one other small kosher butcher operating in the city, there are dark mutterings in some quarters of monopoly and rising prices. "Not so," says Allan Rappaport.

"The community asked us to take the restaurant," he said. "There were no owners and no one has been able to make any money at it. We felt Winnipeg's Jewish community warrants at least one kosher restaurant and decided to give it a shot."

The restaurant is being run for Omnitsky & Sons by Fay Stedman who has a background in catering. The Rappaports are giving the restaurant a year to show that it is viable. "We started in a slow period," said Allan Rappaport. "The fall and winter will tell the story."

The new owners have extensively redecorated the place and changed the menu, offering a variety of sandwiches and grill items and a daily special or two. Although the restaurant was only open for breakfast and lunch during the summer, its hours are being extended to 8 p.m. after the High Holidays.

"I personally feel the restaurant's lack of success in the recent past was due to poor quality food and service and a too great dependency on Y traffic instead of reaching out to the Jewish community at large," said Allan Rappaport.

As for Omnitsky's acquisition of Zipursky's, Rappaport maintains he and his brother bought the south end butcher shop because they were concerned about it being in the hands of the Brown Family which owns Acme Produce, the only supplier of kosher chickens in the city.

The Browns had purchased the butcher shop a few months before. "We weren't comfortable having our only supplier of chicken in competition with us," said Rappaport. "I don't feel our business has grown significantly as a result."

Although Rappaport argues Omnitsky's prices have not risen since the winter expansion and the gap between kosher and treif meat prices is narrowing, others disagree.

One of those concerned is Mooni Rosenzweig of Mooni's Catering. He sees people turning away from kashruth because of "the growing disparity in price between kosher and non-kosher meat products" and the limited choice of kosher butchers.

With 35 years in the meat-cutting and meat manufacturing and catering business, Rosenzweig felt he could offer better cuts at better prices. He feels there is a need in Winnipeg for top quality kosher products. As a result, he is opening a new butcher shop and deli in the north end after Yom Tov.

The new store will be a "Toronto-New York style" facility with a full line of deli meats processed in old-country style. The wieners, for example, will be encased in sheep casings like they were years ago.

Although Mooni's originally looked south, no facility could be found in that part of the city that was new enough or large enough, and it was also felt the North End was a better market. Mooni's new deli will be delivering city-wide anyway.

Although Allan Rappaport feels the meat business is shrinking, he sees some bright spots. "With the baby-boom generation having children reaching school age, there seems to be a swing back to kashruth," he said. "A few younger people are returning."

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Alex Richman

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Today, Richman is a principal in Westchester Sportswear and Almar Industries, which includes Fabulous Formals, A. Richman & Sons and Arthur Harris Imports.

As president, chairman of the board and senior industry negotiator for the Toronto Dress and Sportswear Manufacturers' Guild and as Ontario and Canadian president of the National Apparel Bureau (Ontario) Ltd., Richman has played a vital leadership role in the fashion industry.

For the past seven years, Richman has combined his fashion expertise with his devotion to the State of Israel by serving as chairman of the Fashion Division, State of Israel Bonds, along with Jack Schwartz and Chris Kuzik.

The evening, at the new multi-million dollar World Fashion Headquarters, will include a cocktail reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by an evening of fun and fashion presentations.

Tickets are $75 each. For more information call Ruth Schwartz at (416) 789-3351.

Principals form council

OTTAWA —

A council of all Hebrew school principals has been formed in Ottawa as the result of the efforts of Yehuda Lipsitz, executive director of the Ontario Region of Canadian Jewish Congress.

The six principals — from Hillel Academy, Talmud Torah afternoon school, Akiva High School, Ottawa Star of David, Temple Israel and Ottawa Modern School — were brought under the umbrella "to facilitate programs and open lines of communication," Lipsitz said.

The principals are planning an educational conference for all Ottawa area Hebrew educators for next January, Lipsitz said.

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By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
A grateful community will say "thank you" to Sheila Burman with a champagne brunch on Sunday, Oct. 25, at Adas Israel Synagogue.

Burman is the administrator of Shalom Village and the tribute is the outcome of a spontaneous "grassroots feeling," as committee chairman Isabel Strub put it, of gratitude for "22 years of dedicated service."

In the five years since it opened, Shalom Village has become a model for other groups and communities seeking to establish residences where older adults can maintain active and independent lives yet have all necessary support services at hand.

With its happy family atmosphere of warmth and caring, Shalom Village is very much Burman's creation, the culmination of a determined campaign begun in 1969 when she was asked by then JCC executive director Bill Stern to take on the chairmanship of Jewish Social Services.

"I started to look at the needs of the Jewish community . . . . ," and what she found, said Burman recently, was a serious lack of services for the elderly. With JSS director Michael Silverman, she instituted the sheltered workshop, meals-on-wheels, the Jubilee and Men's Clubs and other programs.

And she also saw an obvious need for some sort of institution for those Jewish elderly requiring nursing care or support services of some kind.

By 1970 she had initiated discussions with the provincial ministry of community and social services, but funding for traditional homes for the aged or nursing homes was no longer available.

Something had to be done and for Burman this became an overriding concern. In 1973 she succeeded Silverman as JSS director but continued to spend many additional hours on the project. She was joined by one of her volunteers, the late Ludwig Benario, with whom she was to work closely until his death in 1978.

Her education includes business and management training and she has worked in business and legal offices, but essentially Burman's background is the varied and invaluable experience of the volunteer.

Even as a girl in her native England, following the example of her mother, Bertha Peters, she was active in community affairs. She became one of the organizers of Habonim and Bnei Akiva in Liverpool and joined the Jewish Youth Centre, where she met her husband David.

The Burmans came to Canada in 1956, first to Windsor, then to Toronto and to Hamilton in 1965. As president of Hamilton Section of National Council of Jewish Women from 1965 to 1969, Burman initiated a number of programs for children that have since been incorporated into the local education system and a pre-retirement program that was taken up by Mohawk College. It was through NCJW that Burman first became interested in gerontology.

Sheila Burman

Her husband's illness forced her to resign from JSS in 1976 but she continued working for a senior's residence and later took a job with the Red Cross.

Finally, things came together: first, with the purchase of a house in 1980, then the construction of Shalom Village and in 1981, Burman was appointed administrator.

Throughout, she also found time for other organizations. She has served as secretary of the boards of Temple Anshe Sholom and Hamilton Jewish Federation; as a member of the budget committee of the United Way; as education and youth chairman, UJA; canvasser for the Heart Fund and the Cancer Fund; and is a member of Hadassah, ORT and Deborah Sisterhood.

By her own admission impatient, Burman doesn't like "sitting through a lot of guff. I see right through to what's needed and go ahead and do it!"

Burman saw a need and did something about it.

For information on the brunch at 11.30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 at Adas Israel Synagogue, 125 Cline Ave. S., Hamilton, call Isabel Strub, 528-0039 or 628-2099, area code 416. Couvert is $18.

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Let's UJA Talk...

At the opening meeting of Societies Division are from the left: Zvi Garcy, Harry Binder, Alan Brown and Henry Yoskowich.

The opening meeting of the Societies Division headed by **Harry Binder**, had a special added dimension this year. One of the guest speakers was **Alan Brown**, architect involved in the design for the Early Education Centre to be built in Toronto's Project Renewal twin community of Kfar Gvirol.

What Brown had to say to the large gathering about this unique project, must have delivered quite an impact.

After listening to him, the Keltzer Society agreed to undertake the raising of a specific amount of money to cover the cost of one room. **Morris Rosenberg**, a Keltzer member who had been on the recent Societies Mission to Israel which included a visit to Kfar Gvirol, was so impressed by what he had seen and heard about plans for the centre, jumped at the opportunity to play a role in the funding. Undoubtedly, his enthusiasm caught on and was a factor in the decision agreed to by President **Percy Goodman**.

Keltzer UJA Chairman **Philip Platt**, has scheduled a campaign meeting for Sunday, October 18 at 12 noon, to be held at 788 Marlee, with **Yona Gazit** as the guest speaker.

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Announcing her intention of making a private contribution toward the Kfar Gvirol project, was **Riva Simon** who was also in attendance at the opening meeting.

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The Ostrovtzer Society has one telethon under its belt and has scheduled an opening meeting for Sunday, October 25 at 10:00 a.m. at 12 Viewmount. **Yona Gazit** will be guest speaker (he does get around). President is **Joe Snider**.

The Ostrovtzer UJA team includes **Harry Fisher, Sydney Weinberg, Harry Baigelman** and **Al Speisman**.

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Treasury Gifts are coming along very nicely. That's no surprise, with **Henry Yoskowich** in charge.

A substantial gift has come in from the Adath Shalom Brotherhood.

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The Societies campaign is rolling along.

The Farband of Lithuanian Jews, of which **Harry Kaplan** is UJA Chairman, has scheduled a meeting for Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 p.m. at the Radomer Synagogue, 18 Reiner. President is **Sam Rappaport**.

Keeping busy on the distaff side, the Masada Chapter, under **Fay Klaczkowski**'s chairmanship, is meeting to continue planning for the funding of their special project, a room in the daycare centre in Beit Dagan.

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Nearing completion of their campaign are members of the Chmelnick Charitable Society, under UJA Chairman **Jack Sylman**.

They too have raised money to outfit a room at Beit Dagan's daycare centre. Four of the five promised payments have already been contributed.

Labour Zionist Alliance President **Saul Weinstock**, has arranged for a UJA breakfast meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m. at 272 Codsell, on Sunday, October 25.

Two Borochov branches will also be meeting — one under the chairmanship of **Harvey Feldman**, who we are happy to learn is recovering from his latest bout of surgery. We wish him well in the New Year. Chairing the other branch is **Dave Newman**.

Guest speaker will be **Moshe Benzioni**, Israel's vice consul to Toronto.

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Looks like Sunday, October 25 will be a heavy day for Societies.

Armin Weiss has scheduled the first telethon of the 1988 campaign for Jews of Hungarian Descent on that date.

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Now we really know the campaign has begun in earnest! On Monday, October 26 B'nai Brith begins its series of telethons at 4600 Bathurst. Chairman this year is **Jack Steinmetz**. It starts with supper at 5:30, so all you lodge members, come on out and make an evening of it.

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Jackie Weintraub has taken over and galvanized the Teachers' campaign, with 200 cards covered for a 25% increase to date.

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Reminder — the Societies Mission to Israel, slated for May 11 to 25, 1988, is filling up fast. There are still spaces available. If you're interested in joining the Mission, call **Zelda Lootsteen** at 635-2883 as early as possible.

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We understand **Dr. Ted English**'s presentation at a meeting of Podiatrists was quite fascinating. His subject? "Surgical pitfalls, avoiding mal-practice in Ontario."

Speaking on behalf of UJA was Assistant Campaign Director **Lisa Morrison**. Present at the meeting in addition to the chairman **Dr. Sheldon Nadal**, were **Drs. Robert Chelin, Cary Collis, Ronald Klein, Alan Lustig, Neil Naftolin** and Health Professions Chairman, **Dr. Howard Stevens**.

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And while we're on a health kick, the newly-organized division of Young Health Professionals has arranged its initial program as a Sunday brunch on October 25 at the Lipa Green Building.

The topic to be featured is "Doctor-Patient Relationships," and speakers will be **Igor Ellyn**, a lawyer, and family practitioner and TV personality, **Dr. Steven Levinson**.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by the program at 11:00 and brunch at 12:30. Couvert is $5.00 per person. For reservations, call 635-2883, ext. 118.

The program committee includes: **David Burstein, Michael Davis, Brian Kleinberg, Jack Kohl, Jeffrey Lipsitz,. Valerie Rackow, Mitchell Sutton, Sheldon Tobe** and **Janice Weiss**.

Organizations and People

Prepare youngsters for future

Teach children new technologies, panelist urges

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

Our present educational system in Ontario is only partially preparing young people for life in the future technological age, according to a public affairs forum at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living.

More emphasis should be given on teaching youngsters new technologies, said one panelist.

Howard Barber, director of education for Toronto's Herzing Institute, believes that the direction of much future technological development will be ensuring human survival; overcoming diseases such as AIDS and heart disease; and dealing with threats to the environment and food production.

"Canada is willing and able to handle technology," he said. "Our contribution to the space program is a good example." Where we fall down, he said, is in preparing people for the support industries of manufacturing and service.

Elementary schools, he said, should focus on the basic skills, such as reading, writing, mathematics, and the ability to learn new skills. Business, industry and private organizations should train those 75% of young people who do not go on to university in state of the art technologies and techniques.

(The Herzing Institute teaches computer and commercial subjects in day and evening classes.)

Gale Fratkin, a specialist in continuing and adult education for the North York Board of Education, told the audience of about 100 that North York is "working towards the future" through its use of computers in all areas, including in language arts and special education, career information centres, and in its affirmative action program in both multicultural and multiracial teaching and hiring.

She agreed with Barber that it is essential for the educational system to work together with industry, so that each will know the other's needs, accomplishments and potential.

The Toronto Star's Bill Schiller, who wrote a recent series of articles on the present educational system, expressed concern over the streaming process that forces decisions about a student's life as early as grade 9. "If your child is in the basic stream, don't expect him to go to university," he said.

"If our national standard of living depends upon the quality of our education, we must develop a more efficient and demanding educational system," he said. "Our technological future doesn't look good compared to that of Japan and the U.S."

"Unless we are realistic and flexible, we will make fundamental errors in preparing for the future," said Erwin Rubincan, assistant professor of computer application at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

"We must realize," he said, "that computers do well what people can't. Computers are good calculators and retrievers of information. Human beings, however, have the capacity to be flexible and adaptable to new ideas and methods."

New UJA unit plans program

TORONTO —

The development of computer aids for the disabled will be the focus of the inaugural program of the Computers and Hi-Tech Division of United Jewish Appeal at 7.30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26.

Fraser Shein, described by division co-chairman Bob Cherniak and Fred Winegust as a pioneer in the field of computer aids for the handicapped, will be the guest speaker at the event to be held at the Hugh MacMillan Medical Centre, 350 Rumsey Rd.

Shein is associated with the Micro Computers Applications Project at the medical centre, and the Human Factors Division of the Industrial Engineering Department of the University of Toronto.

Utilizing multi-media aids in his presentation, Shein will underscore the theme of applying computers to help make as normal as possible the lives of the physically handicapped.

He will also give a perspective on Toronto's contribution to this specialized field — in which it is an acknowledged world leader — and touch on similar work in progress at the Technion in Israel.

All those active in the computer and high-tech fields are invited to attend the evening, for which there will be no charge or solicitations.

Cherniak and Winegust also stress, because of the unique nature of the program, that professionals from the fields of medicine, and physical, occupational and speech therapy, are also encouraged to attend.

Reservations to ensure seating for the program can be obtained by telephoning UJA campaign headquarters at 635-2883, ext. 115.

Israeli war vets to hold dinner

TORONTO —

The organization Aid to Disabled Veterans of Israel (Canada) will hold its first community dinner May 15th at the Constellation Hotel.

Berny Weinstein will be honored for his efforts on behalf of these disabled veterans, which has brought their situation to the forefront among Israeli causes in Canada.

Beit Halochem (House of Warriors), which is aided by the Canadian supporters, is a network of rehabilitation and therapeutic service complexes to help Israeli veterans return to fully integrated civilian life.

Toronto native Weinstein attended Harbord Collegiate. Upon graduation in 1937, he joined his parents in the family grocery. In 1949, he struck out on his own and founded Danbury Sales.

Berny Weinstein

Since then, the business has flourished and he now is president of a prominent and respected national company. Weinstein and his wife Belle have two children — son Lawrence and daughter Heather (who is married to David Ordon) and three grandchildren. Weinstein's son and son-in-law both are associated with him in Danbury Sales.

Along the way, Weinstein has found time to serve as president of Beth David Synagogue and has worked within the community, participating in the work of the United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish National Fund. He is a member of the Primrose Club, Oakdale Golf Club, Palestine Masonic Lodge and B'nai B'rith.

In 1977, he found the cause that most appealed to him on a personal level — disabled Israeli veterans. Learning that Israel is a leader in the field of rehabilitation and the design and practical application of prosthetics, he saw the urgency of international support; it was not only a matter of physical reconstruction, it was also a matter of morale.

This is what prompted the annual invitation to groups of disabled men to visit Canada for two weeks. Sponsored in the beginning through the auspices of the Beth David Congregation, then joined by the Beth Tzedec and Holy Blossom synagogues, these men have had an unusually different holiday arranged, with accommodation as guests in private homes. Side trips, parties and meeting new friends have all been part of an exciting and emotional bond between these courageous young men and their Canadian hosts.

In the works are more such grassroots contacts through the visitation programs, Weinstein says. Also planned is a third rehabilitation centre in Jerusalem, supplementing the two already operating in Haifa and Tel Aviv.

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Organizations and People

Hecht hopes to increase family programming at Shaarey Zedek

Winnipeg synagogue elects 1st female president

By
MYRON LOVE

Evelyn Hecht

WINNIPEG —
The congregation of Winnipeg's Shaarey Zedek Synagogue has elected Evelyn Hecht as its first female president. With a membership of about 1,000 families, the Shaarey Zedek, in the South End, has long been one of the city's two largest and most prestigious synagogues.

Actually, Hecht grew up in the North End as a member of the Rosh Pina, the Shaarey Zedek's crosstown rival. She moved south and joined the Shaarey Zedek after she got married. Her husband's family are long time members with her father-in-law, Archie Hecht, a past president.

"The synagogue has always been important to me personally," said the new president. "My mother is a religious person and set an example for me. I'm comfortable in a shul."

Her first active involvement in the Shaarey Zedek centered around her son's bar-mitzvah. She subsequently became chairperson of Bar and Bat Mothers. She served on the sisterhood board, was appointed chairperson of Breakfast and Dialogue from 1976-78 and as catering chairperson for several years. She was elected to the executive in 1980, co-chaired the USY Kinnus in 1985 and served as ritual chairperson in 1986-87.

Hecht describes her new responsibilities as "overwhelming" but, she says, she has received an excellent reception from the congregation. "I've had cards and letters of encouragement and congratulations," she said. "It is most heartwarming."

She is a little concerned that people may be expecting "great things" from her because she is a woman but stressed that the synagogue is run democratically. "I can only do what the congregation wants to have done," she said.

Her goal over the next year is to maintain things on an even keel while trying to sensitize people to look to the future. "We have to be aware of tradition and where we have been," she said, "but we also have to look ahead to the future to remain viable."

One area Hecht will be looking to is increasing family programming. "Religion is not a high priority among most young families," she said. "It takes a tragedy or simcha to bring them into the synagogue.

"Our synagogue has had an imposing image in the past. I would like to see a friendlier and more accepting atmosphere. We have to have kids in shul and they should have good memories of the synagogue when they grow up."

Hecht reports the Shaarey Zedek draws close to 100 people now on regular Shabbats and that the atmosphere is warm and friendly. There has been a junior congregation for many years. She is hoping to establish an outreach program for families with younger children and occasionally have special family programs geared to them.

Hecht is active elsewhere in the community as well. She has served on the boards of several major Jewish community institutions and fund-raising organizations and has been active in Folklorama's Shalom Square where she was mayor for two years. She also hosts WJCC Presents, the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council's weekly television show on the public channel.

She would like to encourage more women to participate in all aspects of synagogue life. "We have an important contribution to make in view of the fact that we are women and Jews," she said. "We bring a certain perspective to what has been an all-male preserve. We look at things a different way."

In the meantime, she feels a "sense of excitement and anticipation" for the "big challenge" that lies ahead.

Broadcaster to speak at women's conference

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Television personality, broadcaster, actress and writer Micki Moore will speak on Influence, Power and Success at the Woman's World 87 opening luncheon on Oct. 23 at noon, Hamilton Convention Centre.

The luncheon is one of the highlights of the annual 3-day event. This year it will be sponsored by the Hamilton and District Council of Women which will pay a special tribute to area women who are elected members of government.

Moore was the host of CITY-TV's popular daily talk show You're Beautiful for six years and for the past two years she has been the resident lifestyle expert on CTV's national afternoon show Lifetime.

Show hours are Friday, October 23, and Saturday, Oct. 24, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 25, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

General admission is $6, weekend pass; senior citizens, $4. Special admissions are $20 to the opening luncheon (includes weekend pass). Net proceeds go to Hamilton and District Council of Women. Tickets available at The Burlington Spectator, The Hamilton Spectator, The Woman's Bookstop, MacNab Street YWCA or call (416) 524-0555.

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Expression of unity and pluralism

Marmur urges joint beth din, support for UJA

TORONTO —

Holy Blossom Temple's Rabbi Dow Marmur has repeated his call for a beth din (rabbinic court) of Reform, Conservative and Orthodox rabbis as an expression of unity and pluralism among local Jews.

He also urged strong support for the United Jewish Appeal, whose leadership, he said, "has been in the forefront of the fight for pluralism in Israel."

Marmur delivered his remarks as part of the synagogue's Saturday night selichot service before Rosh Hashanah.

"It is possible," he said, "to create in this city a joint beth din at which there would always be at least three Orthodox Rabbis, so that their adherents would be satisfied, but in which also Reform, Conservative and Reconstructionist Rabbis would participate. Such a beth din would deal with matters of Jewish status according to Jewish law."

He noted that efforts to create such a beth din have been made elsewhere, notably in Denver — and failed. "But what may not have been possible in Colorado could become a reality in Ontario," he said.

"Let us strengthen our commitment to existing communal institutions, above all the United Jewish Appeal, the highest common denominator of the Toronto Jewish community," he said.

Its leadership has been in the forefront of the fight for pluralism in Israel and a strong advocate of affirmative action in the allocation of funds by the Jewish agency for projects under Reform auspices, Marmur stated.

"We are proud of the fact that many Reform Jews, among them members of this congregation, continue to play a prominent part in the UJA. The least we can do is to indicate our loyalty and our support through increased contributions."

The rabbi said he considers the refusal to give to UJA to protest discrimination against Reform in Israel to be a "wrong and misguided" approach.

"If we believe in pluralism, then we have to act on it in the service of the UJA in the way that the UJA is acting in the service of us all. I increased my own contribution this year and I intend to increase it again in 1988."

He said it is a fact that "few recognizable Reform institutions seem to be recipients of local funds, but I am told that this may be due to our own reluctance in creating projects and institutions that warrant support, not discrimination against us.

"I believe, therefore, that we should create new educational institutions that will reflect our stance and enrich the community at large."

Marmur stressed the pluralism message derived from that week's Torah reading, Nitsavim-Vayelech. It begins with the words "You stand this day all of you before the Lord your God," which follow a long list of dire warnings that conclude the preceding week's reading.

The rabbi said: "After the unspeakable curses which vastly surpassed even that which the Bible could think of — the modern curses we identify with the Holocaust — only one thing could save us: standing together, this day and every day, *all* of us. After the Holocaust, Jewish unity has become the only way to Jewish survival."

He added: "Significantly, our text never suggests that such unity demands uniformity. Instead, it goes out of its way to describe the differences: "You stand this day, all of you, before the Lord your God — your tribal heads, your elders, and your officials, all the men of Israel, your children, your wives, even the stranger within your camp, from woodchopper to water-drawer."

"The biblical text, usually so economic in language, splashes out here with a description of different types of Israelites to make the point that unity must not exclude anybody, and must not demand uniformity or conformity."

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"Women set new priorities"

Empty-nest syndrome need not be stressful

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Contrary to popular notions, the middle years are really not all that bad, an international expert on stress, depression and coping strategies told a symposium on women and mental health at OISE in Toronto recently.

Sending your children off — or what is called the empty-nest syndrome which was considered to be stressful — is not stressful. "It is a time when women begin reevaluating their lives and setting new priorities, says Dr. Leonard Pearlin, a professor in the human development and aging program at the University of California in San Francisco.

Coping at midlife

Speaking on Stress and Coping at Midlife — Some Myths and Reality, the keynote speaker noted that middle age has become hard to define. "The largest population growth is among those 75 or over."

At midlife, a woman may want to enter the job market or become deeply involved in planning a large conference like this, he told the 650 people, mostly women, at the all-day symposium sponsored by the Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary and The Program in Gerontology at the University of Toronto.

"There are stylistic changes — women become more assertive, tougher, and less patient with the shortcomings of their husbands and kids." By then he notes, many husbands have achieved their major career goals and they are also experiencing some changes in their life growth — they become more expressive, softer, and more feminine.

Pearlin calls this "crossover" — when husbands and wife are travelling in different directions. This, he says, can lead to conflict in the marriage.

As well, this is a time when parents can "put away some of the fictions" and be more themselves, as they no longer see themselves as socialization models for their children.

As patterns of dependency get shifted around, some responsibilities are shifted to the adult children. A reordering of relationships takes place and women, more than men, participate in "networking" which helps them through this transitional period.

Pearlin believes that many of the transitions in midlife are not stressful because "they are highly scheduled and highly predictable," and therefore we are able to cope with these changes.

But for some people, reordering relationships can lead to a great deal of acrimony. Pearlin says that some of the devices for coping with these changes include interpreting the stress situation, selectively ignoring some of the negative aspects, and managing the stress with relaxation techniques such as meditation and yoga.

Conflict, he says, may be a useful problem-solving technique. "It allows us to come to a new level of understanding." Conflict is bad when people don't play by the rules of the game or when people try to destroy each other or demean each other.

Pearlin cautioned that there is a temptation to say that people who are not coping with stress are failing. "This success of an individual altering a difficult situation is going to depend on how others with whom they are interfacing are dealing with the situation."

The first rule of coping, he says, is to try to understand what's happening to you.

Merrijoy Kelner, a professor in the Department of Behavioral Sciences at the University of Toronto, was the moderator of the panel discussion which included sociologist Bonnie Erickson, a professor at the University of Toronto whose studies focus on the social networks of older women, and Etta McEwan, the director of social work at Baycrest Hospital.

Leonard Pearlin

Erickson spoke on Social Networks of Older Women and McEwan's topic was Mother-Daughter relationships.

"Aging is a privilege — some never get a chance for continued personal growth and self-realization — this stage of the life cycle can provide it," says Kelner.

She regards aging as a challenge "and we can mobilize our resources — both our national resources and whatever external resources we have available to us — to meet challenges and to cope with the stresses and strains that accompany it." This, she adds, is not a passive accomplishment. It is a goal towards which we can all strive.

"And we have to begin this work early in the life cycle. And over time, we can develop a whole repertoire of successful coping strategies that will help us attain and maintain a positive mental health."

Clarification on Glick

Nurit (Nicki) Oko Glick has been named consultant to Jewish schools in Ontario for Canadian Jewish Congress and program coordinator for the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council.

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Licks top division winner

Champions crowned in BB baseball league

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Though the major leagues are in the midst of their playoffs, the boys of summer in the B'nai B'rith baseball league have crowned their champions for another year.

In the AAA Division of the ACC Conference of the fast pitch league, Leonard Mayzel Licks came out on top as division winners. North York Knights sported the best regular season record of 12 wins and four losses, followed closely by the Licks at 11-4-1.

Canyon Kings were division champs in the PAC 8 Conference of the AAA Division. They led the conference during the regular season as well with a 12-4 record. Next best was Manor Met Mets at 9-7.

Over in the AA Division of the fast pitch league, Toronto Freedom Lodge Ferrum Fielders took top honors in the Big East Conference. They were 12-3-1 during the regular season followed by Judea Dash at 10-5-1 and Canyon Flyers at 10-6.

Still in the AA Division, Toronto Freedom Builders were first in the WAC Conference. Their regular season record stood at 14-2 followed by Upper Canada Bombers at 10-5.

In the A Division of the fast pitch league, Manor Metropolitan Razorbacks were the leading franchise, with a 13-3 record. Next best were Don Mills WWFs.

SEC Conference champions of the A Division were Aaron Hart Outlaws, whose regular season record of 7-8-1 left them tied for 5th with Leonard Mayzel Wildcats.

Best over the regular season were Thornhill Destroyers and TFL Fruitcakes, both at 12-4.

In the Pony League, NEC Conference, division champions were Forestdale Blue Jays, while Thornhill Redman captured the crown in the NWC Conference.

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Even though September isn't hockey season, the best hockey in the last few years was played recently by teams from Canada and the Soviet Union.

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Here are a few thoughts about the series that may have eluded Ron Reusch.

Wayne Gretsky had it right when he said the biggest difference between this Soviet team and those of earlier years was between the pipes.

Could a Canadian team down three goals to the Soviets with Vladislav Tretiak minding the net have rebounded to win? Not likely.

But then again, even Jacques Plante and Bernie Parent had to retire sometime and the Soviets can't expect to get superhuman goaltending all the time.

Another big change from previous Soviet-Canada encounters was in the ease in which the Canadians exited their own zone. Remember 1979 when the Soviets defeated the NHL All-Stars in the Challenge Cup? Their forechecking created numerous turnovers and had the Canadian defence totally flustered.

Since then, Canadian coaches have had plenty of chances to study the Soviet's forechecking style.

One of their systems consisted of sending two wingers in after the puck-carrier and the defenceman pinching in when the Canadian defender instinctively tossed it along the boards. The centre would backcheck and pick up any loose pucks.

This time around, getting the puck out of the Canadian zone was rarely a problem, as the Canuckskies employed a number of styles to move it up ice.

Another major change from previous Soviet-Canada matchups took place at the Soviet end of the ice. Not just in the incessant Canadian forechecking, but also in the way that checking prevented the Soviets from making long passes to open wingers in the neutral zone.

Gone are the days when Soviet defencemen would pick up a puck in the corner and, without looking, get it to an open man at centre ice. Team Canada cut that down substantially, though, with the Canucks playing firewagon hockey, they still were caught on enough two on ones to turn John Brophy's hair whiter.

Credit has to go to Team Canada's coaching staff headed by Philadelphia Flyer's coach Mike Keenan for creating the right approach to beat the Soviets.

Viktor Tikhonov may be in trouble as the Soviet national team coach after the loss to Canada, even though he maintains this was just a summer tournament leading up to the Olympics.

It was obviously much more than that, and the play of the skaters on both sides showed it. The Soviets didn't beat the best Canada had to offer. If the comrades now go on to capture the Olympic gold medal, they can't with any justification make the claim they are the best hockey team in the world.

The Olympics will be just another winter tournament.

Mazon now accepting grants' applications

TORONTO —
Having successfully completed the first round of allocations to groups providing services to needy families this year, Mazon Canada's allocation committee is now accepting applications for a new round of grants.

Dr. Anne Golden, director of allocations and government relations for the United Way and chairman of Mazon Canada's allocations committee, said that the April allocations of $10,000 "had a substantial impact on the capacity of a number of small, well-run groups to deliver services to needy families in the community.

"We supported organizations in Vancouver, Montreal and Metro Toronto which work on a very direct level in offering food relief to the hungry," said Golden. "And we also made a significant grant to help Ethiopian Jews buy seed and other agricultural supplies."

The organizations which received allocations in April include B'nai B'rith Women in Vancouver, North York Harvest Food Bank in Toronto and Tomchei Shabbos of Montreal.

Golden said that the allocations committee hopes to make its second set of recommendations in mid-November, and expressed hope that any group in need of funding which can fulfil Mazon's mandate of "meeting the needs of the hungry, whomever or whereever they may be," will contact Mazon in Toronto.

Dr. Roger Hyman, executive director of Mazon Canada, said that as well as providing funding, Mazon is trying to educate the Jewish community about the "enormous dimensions" of hunger across the country. It is also trying to create a link between traditional Jewish celebrations and the needs of others, Hyman said.

"This is a link which was very clear to our grandparents and great-grandparents — they knew that to celebrate a simcha carried the obligation to provide food for those who could not afford to celebrate."

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Promoting Project Renewal

Israeli teen singers thrill Canadian audiences

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
It's amazing what a little spirit can do, even in the most disadvantaged neighborhoods and towns.

That was the message the United Israel Appeal was hoping to bring to Jewish communities across the country.

And the medium chosen to convey the message was a first-hand demonstration of the singing talents of the young adults from Project Renewal towns throughout Israel.

Eighteen singers, ranging in age from 16 to 23, thrilled audiences in Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton with a repertoire of Israeli and pop music.

The troupe, known as Orot Hashchuna (Neighborhood Lights), demonstrated in a concrete, visible way how money raised in Canada for Project Renewal towns can help turn dispirited, cynical youth into motivated and optimistic young adults, said Eli Rubenstein, coordinator for the UIA of the group's trip to Canada.

Bringing the group to Jewish centres across the country was a sort of "pat on the back for Project Renewal supporters," Rubenstein stated of the UIA-sponsored program. "It said, 'look what your efforts have done.' "

Project Renewal builds more than just new edifices, he added. Orot Hashchuna conveys the picture of a changing neighborhood and a growing sense of pride in the community and the individual.

But besides entertaining the Jewish communities which they visited, the troupe's members managed to see a substantial portion of the country.

Special treat

After performing in Toronto, they also made the obligatory visit to Niagra Falls. In Montreal, where they spent three days of their 2-week visit, they performed for the Allied Jewish Community Services, and at Cavendish Mall, McGill University, the Saidye Bronfman Centre and at two high schools.

Their hard work earned them a special treat — a trip to the Forum and tickets for the first of the Canada-Soviet championship games of the Canada Cup hockey tournament.

In the first five minutes they were in awe, said Rubenstein. Afterwards they cheered along with everyone else and enjoyed the game immensely.

They left the rink with official pucks as souvenirs, which should lead to some curious questions back in Israel about the round, black disks, he added.

The group next visited Vancouver and promptly fell in love with the city. They walked around with "a dazzled look in their eyes" but managed to recover for a performance at Canada Place on Burrard Inlet.

They also visited Mayne Island in Georgia Strait where they performed for the local community.

Next it was on to Calgary and two shows at the Jewish community centre. They managed a side-trip to Banff and to the city's Olympic Park.

Edmonton was the last major stop on the itinerary where they performed once and, of course, visited the West Edmonton Mall.

From there it was on board the red-eye express to Toronto, a short layover at the airport and then to Israel where for some, army duty was just a scant two days away.

Calling the trip a success, Rubenstein said plans are for an expanded tour next year to take in even more Jewish centres. Still, those who managed to see the group were treated to great performances and some of the best musical talent in Israel, he said.

The Israeli singing group, Orot Hashchuna, performed in Jewish centres across Canada during a 2-week visit here. [Drummond photo]

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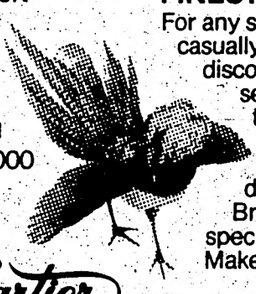

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Women opt for luxury in fashions and accessories

Luxury is the hot ticket for fall. Women want "real," as expressed in the overwhelming popularity of exotic furs, supple leathers, suedes and expensive jewelry.

The new, rising hemlines are causing a ruckus, but the daring fall looks are nothing short of irresistible. If it's rich, sumptuous and elegant, women will opt for it.

Notably, there is an abundance of soft, stretchy fabrics that sensually outline a woman's physique. Suits and dresses also sport the new uninhibited attitude in carved-out, hourglass silhouettes that surpass everyday functionality to create all-out drama.

Fall's unabashedly rich flavor wouldn't be complete without a sampling of the new gold jewelry styles seen almost everywhere nowadays.

Gold pin shouts individuality

For instance, a bold gold pin is a must-have for any woman who wants to shout her self-confidence and individuality. Picture an exotic Persian lamb fez hat accented with a faceted swirl of 18 karat gold — a knockout combination for sure!

In fact, pins have become such a mainstay that, aside from being seen on the traditional lapel, it's in vogue to fasten one onto a waist-cinching belt. A polished gold plume that curves with a woman's waistline achieves this beautifully.

To complement the exquisite face-framing collars, gold earrings provide special allure. Pebble-textured nuggets or a stream of brushed gold darts dangling from the ears set the mood, when paired with an oversized, bowed taffeta blouse or a fur collar or stole draped softly around the shoulders.

Large gold buttons are taken out of the classical mode when updated with a sprinkling of semi-precious stones that complement fall's deep and dramatic palette: Green tourmaline, blue iolite and pink kunzite.

An electric combination is created when the classic look is worn with a racy leather bustier or cropped jacket, also in rich fall hues.

Fall fashion also has a frivolous edge, like two-tone leather gauntlets or a ruffled black satin glove accented with an oversized rose.

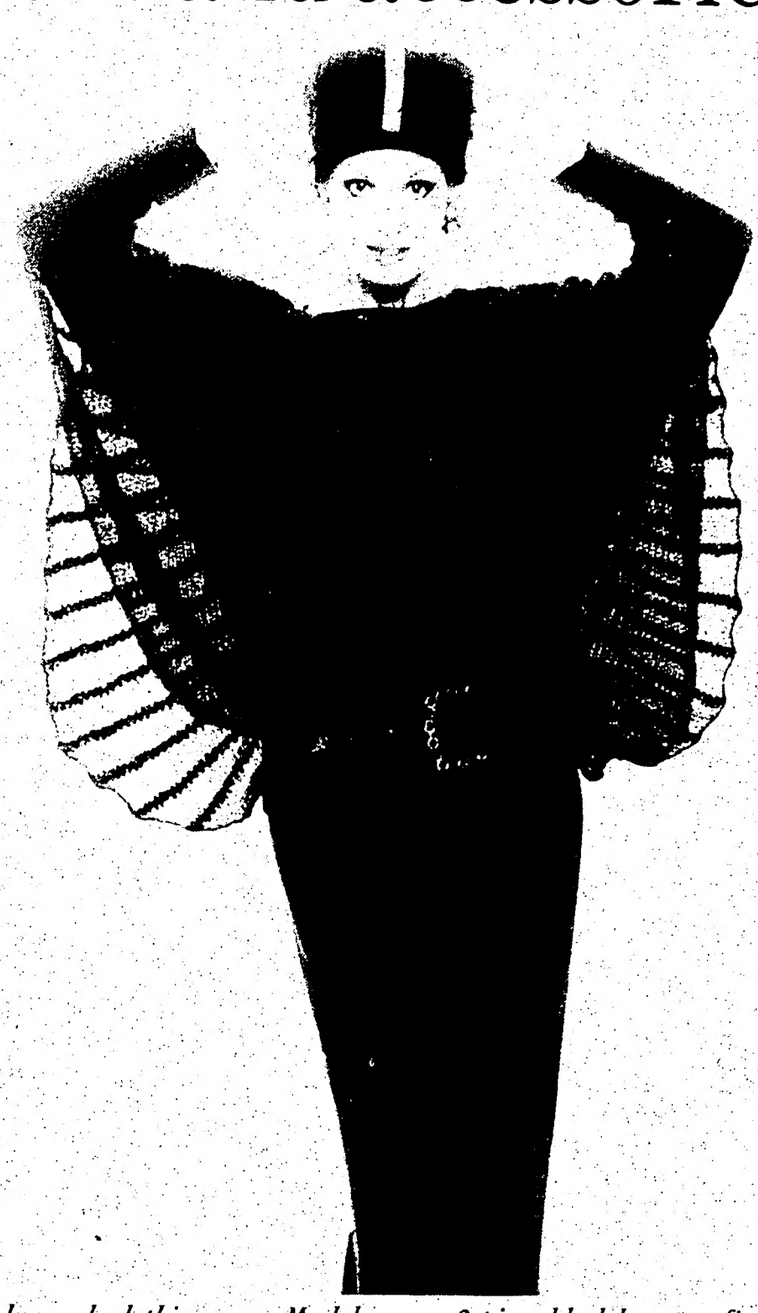
Watch what happens when a colorful glove is topped with a ribbed gold cuff or stack of thin geometric bangles. The challenge is to combine styles to create an eclectic mix that's truly your own.

Create your own eclectic mix

For the collector in us all, there's a fistful of gold rings that can be worn singly or stacked for maximum effect.

For example, a trio of gold wave rings in yellow, pink and green gold can piece together or can graphically decorate each finger. In fact, combining varying colors of gold is a new and growing trend.

Never before has fashion had such upscale appeal, as streamlined, bold and downright sexy clothes filter off the designer runways into the closets of millions of American women who want to present just the "right" image. A direct indication of their high self-esteem and status in life, fall fashion's slogan could very well be: "I've arrived; I'm real and I'm worth it."



It's a luxury look this season. Model wears a 2-piece black lurex outfit from Italy by Alex Ari. Her suede hat with rhinestones is by Marissa; patent leather belt with silver accents by Santino and rhinestone earrings from Austria. All available at Toronto's Casandi Collection. (Rough Layout photo)

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Exotic skins are right texture for fall

Ostrich, alligator, snake and lizard are all hot

Exotic skins, the rage for all leather accessories this fall, are especially prominent in Western boots, as they add the texture needed to dress the leg properly for the season's newest fashion.

Ostrich, alligator, lizard and particularly snake and elephant are extremely hot looks in boots. On boot uppers, colorful stitching and leather inlay strengthen the foot's fashion statement.

As fall's shorter skirts create excitement for the attention they draw to the leg, Western boots are a natural complement to the new "leggy" look.

The season's call for rich textures, detailed designs and choice in heel height is answered by classic cowboy boots.

Color is bold, as bright red is a top choice in Western boots for men and women and the muted desert colors and romantic pastels of the Santa Fe look continue to be strong as well.

Menswear colors also feature cordovan and taupe, with black making a vigorous showing.

For women, besides short skirts, long hems to the lower calf are the only other option this season, and Western boots come in a variety of heel and shaft heights to match either style.

For shorter hemlines, the boot's silhouette is very defined with either very high or low shafts. Heels are higher and more substantial, elongating the leg look.

Longer dress lengths, an important fashion look for business attire, are well suited to lower heels, for both slim and full pleated skirts. Toe shapes are moderate and gently rounded.

For men, trouser legs are showing a slimmer, pegged styling for the lower leg. For these, Western boots with a narrower shaft are an ideal selection, with the pant leg either tucked in or smoothly enveloping the boot top.

"As part of wardrobe dressing, Western boots for fall feature exciting details and sophisticated silhouettes," according to Frank Scivetti of Justin Boot Co., member of the Western Boot Council of America.

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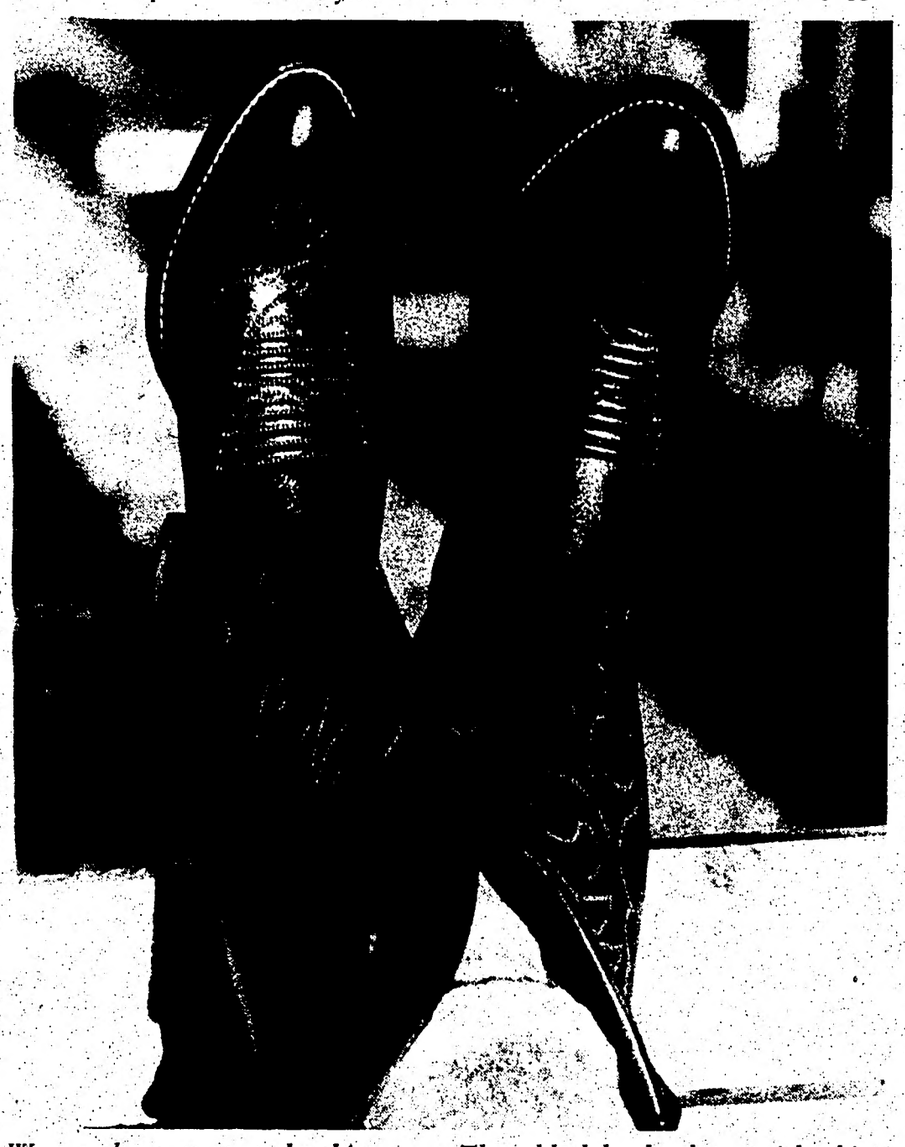

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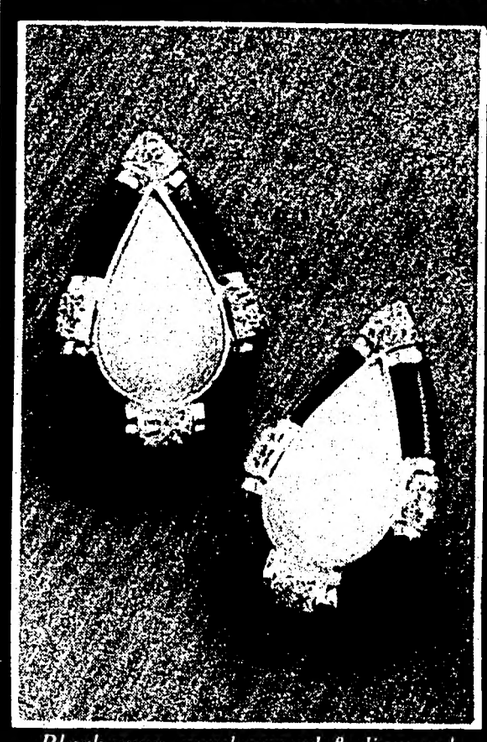

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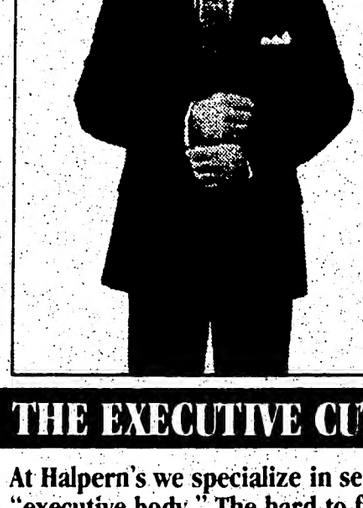

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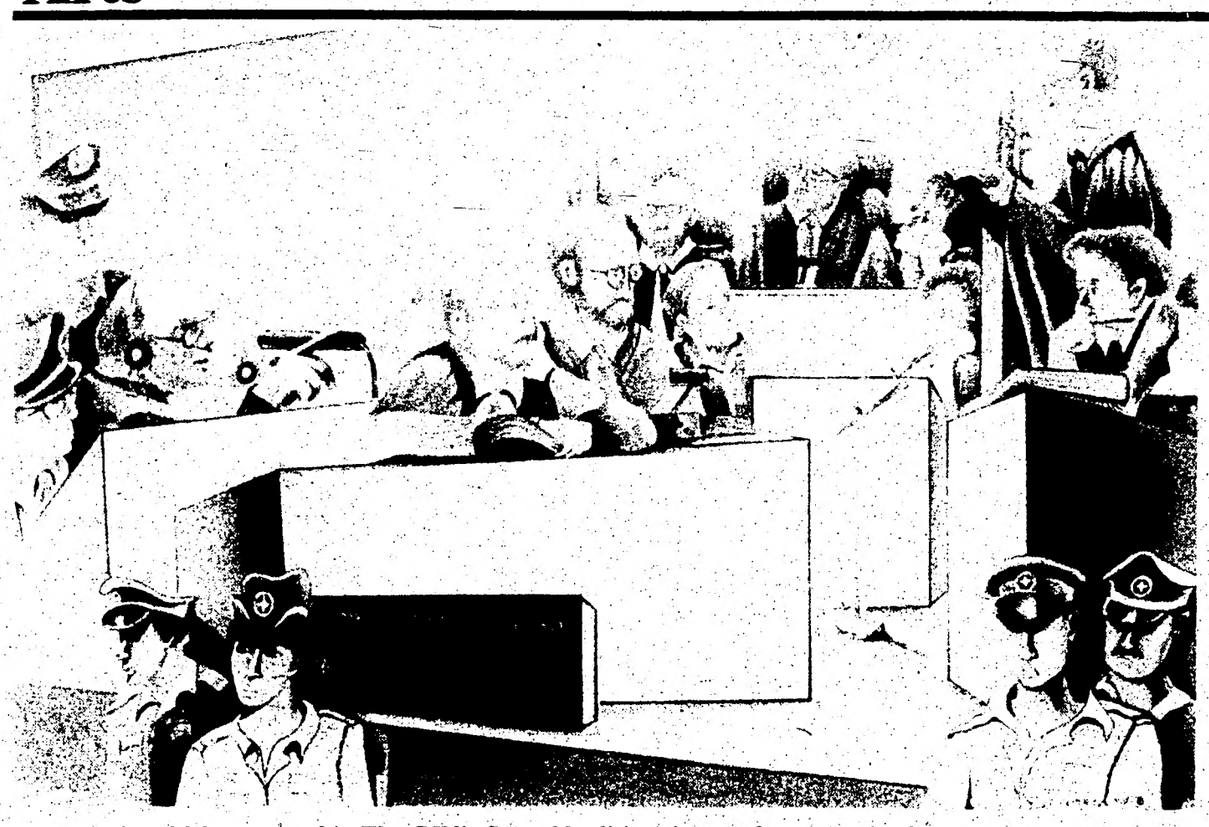

This sketch, which appeared in The CJN's Sept. 23 edition, is one of many artist Gail Schwartz is offering to loan to associations or museums.

Artist relates her experiences

Drawing the Demjanjuk trial

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — Toronto artist Gail Schwartz is offering on loan as historic documents, sketches, watercolors and drawings prompted by her recent attendance at the Demjanjuk trial in Jerusalem, plus other works which she did in Israel. (Associations, museums, etc. may contact her at 41 Bankwood Cres., North York M2H 3G7.)

What was it like to be an artist in the courtroom during cross-examination of John Demjanjuk, accused of being the Treblinka guard known as Ivan the Terrible? For Schwartz it was a riveting experience.

This past summer she was visiting her daughter Rosalyn, a Volunteer for Israel, spending some months on an army base. Rosalyn had attended the trial earlier and was so moved that she told her mother, "You have to go before you leave Israel."

Sketch pads in hand, Schwartz set out early one morning for the trial venue, a theatre seating 500-600, across from the central bus station. Starting time was 8.30 but the lineup, from dawn, was unforgettable.

Hundreds of people, young and old, with many languages and cultures, including numerous chassidim, talked, shouted and discussed, knit, read, ate and drank, pushed and shoved. The temperature hit 95F and the crush was frightening.

Sirens signified the arrival of Demjanjuk in a military and police convoy. He was led in through a separate entrance.

Inside it was different. The theatre was air conditioned and order prevailed. Everyone had to go through security with bags opened, a check by a metal detector and had information taken: "Where are you staying? What hotel? Give us your passport number."

Schwartz found a seat at the back of the theatre. She was lucky just to be there. Tourist groups and busloads of soldiers were given precedence and some days there was only enough space for 30-50 people from the line.

On the stage were three judges, two defence attorneys (Demjanjuk had dismissed the third, an American), a team of four prosecutors and uniformed security personnel. And Demjanjuk.

The first four rows of seats facing the stage was reserved for VIPs and witnesses. Media people sat in the balconies.

Schwartz began a small sketch. As the trial proceeded, it appeared that Demjanjuk was trying to establish his lack of education and his limited intelligence.

He could not have been a driver at Treblinka as charged, he objected, because he was too young and not really capable. (He denies that he was ever at Treblinka.) He told the prosecutor, Michael Sheked, that he had repeated grades 1, 2, 3 and 4 in school and gone no farther.

Sheked, says Schwartz, was patient, correct, methodical. Demjanjuk spoke in Ukrainian and an interpreter translated his words into Hebrew. Schwartz wore headphones providing an English translation, for which she had to surrender her passport.

The morning session continued from 8.30 a.m. until 1 p.m. with a 15-minute break. Afternoon sessions were 4-6 p.m. During the morning break a young girl asked if she could see the sketches. Schwartz explained that she was too far back to draw details.

The girl brought her up to the third row and introduced her father, Ernie Meyer of the Jerusalem Post, one of the few reporters in the VIP section. Meyer obtained clearance from a police official for her to sit beside him, near a TV crew. She began a large sketch.

On the second day she had to line up again, but sat in the second row. Police officers and reporters became interested in her work.

Schwartz was at the trial for five days, "the whole time Demjanjuk was being cross-examined." On the third day she sat in the front row and was featured on TV news that night, the camera focusing on her sketches. After that, people in court recognized her and asked to see her latest work.

From time to time Demjanjuk would look down and even smile at people in the courtroom. A Treblinka survivor, sitting next to Schwartz, pointed to the accused and said, "I know that man." The survivor comes to the trial every week and will be testifying later.

By this time Schwartz, who had received more TV coverage, was asked by the police chief to return and was escorted in without lining up.

She had originally arrived at the trial knowing little about the case and says, "I didn't want to come to a conclusion before I myself heard Demjanjuk speak."

The accused kept changing his stories, contradicting himself about where he was married, where a child was born. "He was trying to prove that he's uneducated and not very bright, that he couldn't have been a driver."

But prosecutor Sheked led him on. Demjanjuk had grown up on a farm with tractors and other mechanical equipment. Sheked noted that he has a beautiful garden which people come especially to see. Demjanjuk agreed. And Sheked added that Demjanjuk was a devoted church member. The accused confirmed that.

Sheked continued, mentioning that Demjanjuk handled charitable funds for his church. The prosecutor seemed to have made his point.

The trial, interrupted when Judge Zvi Tal had a heart attack, will resume Oct. 26.

U.S. Sephardi history gives valuable lessons

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Joseph Papo's newly published *Sephardim in Twentieth Century America* (Pele Yoetz Books, U.S. $20) provides timeless insights into the acculturation of a minority within a minority.

While dealing with a top estimate of 50,000 Jews out of the 2 million who immigrated to the U.S. between 1881 and 1923, the book's lessons are valuable in our own day. The situation of more recent Sephardi immigrants to Anglo-Saxon Canada is paralleled in some ways.

Papo, who retired several years ago, was executive director of the New York-based Central Sephardic Jewish Community of America, from 1944 to 1947. He came to the U.S. from Egypt as one of the immigrants.

The book does not discuss post World War II arrivals from the Middle East and Cuba. They, according to Papo, "made a relatively good adjustment" because they "did not repeat the pattern of isolation and withdrawal set up by the earlier immigrants."

Unlike Russian Jews with their "disproportionately high number of skilled workers and intellectuals," writes Papo, the Sephardi first generation found work largely as "candy vendors, boot blacks, battery makers, and cigar rollers."

Different customs and a preference for spending their evenings at cafes playing chess and backgammon, rather than brushing up on their English at night school, distanced the immigrants further from their Ashkenazi brothers. The latter were very busy; they barely noticed the difference between them and the Sephardim, let alone what they had in common.

The high society Jews of Sephardi origin who immigrated to the U.S. in the 17th, 18th and early 19th centuries kept their distance from the newcomers, whom they called "oriental" Jews.

The book's subtitle, In Search of Unity, highlights what Papo considers the immigrants' primary obstacle to overcoming their problems. Despite heroic efforts by a succession of concerned individuals, they "could not maintain a viable central community organization."

This lack of cohesion, according to Papo, is variously attributed to the "fragmented nature of Ottoman Jewry" or the immigrants' "roots in the Iberian peninsula."

Papo's organization was started through the efforts of the charismatic and energetic chief rabbi of Paris, Nissim Ovadia, who managed to flee Nazi-occupied France for New York in 1941. It was the latest in a number of organizations, beginning with the Federation of Oriental Jews of America (1912), that were set on wobbly legs to fall not long after.

Journalists were among the most strenuous in their efforts to unite their community and link it to that of the Ashkenazim. Publisher-editor Moise Gadol of the pioneer La America, which he founded in 1910, focused on intercultural stories. The paper carried Rosh Hashanah greetings to the Sephardim's European brothers, complete with illustrations of hands shaking in friendship.

La America and its successors campaigned tirelessly against indifference and disunity, right to their very end.

Papo includes capsule biographies of various communal leaders active in the 20s, 30s, and 40s.

The author's involvement and compassion shine through the academic prose of his well indexed and annotated text.

In detail and authority, Papo's book is unsurpassed as it depicts yet another chapter in the long Jewish Exile.

The book, which may be available at local Jewish bookstores soon, can be ordered by mail from Pele Yoetz, 5540 Glenoak Court, San Jose, CA 95129. Add $2 for handling.

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Author approaches the Bible as riddle to be solved

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Who Wrote the Bible? By Richard E. Friedman, Summit Books, $18.95 U.S.

Who wrote the Five Books of Moses? For traditional Jews and Christians the answer is clear and unshakable. God is the author of the Torah. Through a process of Divine revelation it was transmitted to Moses, his servant. He, in turn, brought it down from Mount Sinai to the Israelites who, not long before, had been redeemed from the bondage of Egypt.

But for many centuries Jewish and Christian scholars (the 12th century Rabbi Abraham ibn Ezra, for example) have been troubled by inconsistencies, ambiguities, anachronisms and a variety of literary styles which cast doubts upon its Divine authorship. These uncertainties and findings culminated in the 19th century in the so-called Documentary Theory which assigned parts of the Torah to at least four different sources.

The author, a university professor of Hebrew, provides a clear and helpful introduction to the scholarly approach to scripture. But he goes on to ask a more difficult and intriguing question. Who were responsible for the diverse sources and documents which served as the heart and core of the Torah?

He ingeniously tracks down four authors against the background of the times in which they lived. His most surprising finding is that the Prophet Jeremiah was responsible for Deuteronomy, as well as for the books of Joshua, Judges, Samuel and Kings.

Who put these disparate materials together in their present form? Friedman believes that it was Ezra — after the period of the exile — about 2,500 years ago. He was an editor of enduring genius.

Written in a popular style for the average reader, the author approaches the material as if there was a mystery to be solved, a riddle to be unravelled, and his ambitious attempt to identify the various strands that became the Torah, and their authors, is filled with surprising suspense.

Reverent approach

With a rare combination of broad scholarship and admirable literary craftsmanship, the author explores the political and religious differences among the ancient Israelites and something of the historical events, and distinctive language that made up their culture. Friedman's approach to the material is reverent, rather than disrespectful. He is willing to concede a long oral tradition that may go back to some climactic event in Jewish history; Moses may indeed have been an authentic figure.

He writes of his conclusions: "For those who hold the Bible as sacred, it can mean new possibilities of interpretation; and it can mean a new awe before the great chain of events, persons, and centuries that came together so intricately to produce an incomparable book of teachings.

All of the author's conclusions are subject to scholarly disagreement and argument. But one can learn much from this book about the diversity of biblical subject matter, the variety of styles and some of the nagging and persistent problems that have troubled scholars through the centuries.

In the end, for Jews who cannot believe that the Torah comes from Sinai, it still remains an unparalleled work of religious inspiration and genius. If God did not write the Torah, He is unquestionably in the Torah. Its influence upon Judaism and mankind remains immense and incalculable.

Henry Weingluck

Painter Weingluck focused on Jewish themes in art

TORONTO —

Henry Weingluck, a local artist who focused his works on Jewish themes, recently died at age 85.

Weingluck was born in Zawiercie, Poland to an Orthodox Jewish family. He studied at art academies of Crakow, Copenhagen and Berlin and later exhbited his works in Paris with Candinsky, Chagall and Soutin.

During the Nazi invasion of France, Weingluck was imprisoned in eight concentration camps and 375 of his paintings were lost.

In 1948 he arrived in Toronto and later opened Weingluck's Art Gallery on College St.

His paintings have been exhibited at The Art Gallery of Ontario, the Museum of London, Ont., Toronto City Hall, the Flavio Belli Gallery in Toronto and Beth Tzedec Museum.

A few of Weingluck's works were also showcased in The Canadian Jewish News for a number of years in the High Holiday issue.

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Arts

Brian Dennehy and James Wood star in Best Seller.

Well-crafted Best Seller gets better as it goes

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Best Seller starts and ends with a bang. Literally, that is.

John Flynn's film, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is a police thriller that gets better as it moves along.

In the opening scene, three men wearing Richard Nixon masks burst into a police warehouse in a bid to steal incriminating documents. One of the th eves wantonly kills se eral startled guards. A wounded policeman manages to knife one of the intruders before he makes his getaway.

In the penultimate episode, seven years later, there is a series of shootouts. More blood flows. *Best Seller* is not finicky about a little bloodshed.

The script, written by Larry Cohen, is unusual in its originality.

Cleve (James Woods), a hired killer, wants Dennis Meechum (Brian Dennehy), a cop cum-author, to write a book about his dubious exploits.

Cleve claims that, as a hitman for a bluechip corporation headed by philanthropist David Madlock (Paul Shenar), he committed cold-blooded murder. Cleve has had a falling out with Madlock and now feels he can best exact his revenge against him through Meechum.

Meechum, an honest cop and widower, is skeptical. But as he delves deeper into Madlock's sordid affairs, he discovers that Cleve has been more or less frank with him.

James Woods (*Salvador* and *Joshua Then And Now*) is the personification of a cool, detached murderer, a man who feels no compunction whatsover in dispatching someone in his way.

In the course of *Best Seller*, Woods is given that opportunity on several different occasions. He performs the task without any display of scruples. Woods is perfect in his role.

Dennehy, last seen in *F/X*, that marvellous little sleeper, is as good as ever. In his inimitable grizzled, world-weary pose, he succeeds admirably in portraying a non-nonsense cop who is torn between cooperating with Cleve or simply arresting him.

Best Seller **is fairly well-crafted and provides the prerequisite thrills and chills. Its jaundiced view of American business may be refreshing.**

Call it diverting entertainment.

Play about "Mean Street" proves witless disaster

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

There are certain so-called plays that make you wonder about the wisdom of subsidizing Toronto's some 50-odd little theatres with government art grants.

A good (or perhaps I should say dreadful) example is *Tragedy Of Manners*, playing until Oct. 25 at Theatre Passe Muraille, 16 Ryerson Ave. near Queen St. and Bathurst, 363-2416.

Not to put too fine a point on it, it's a self-indulgent, ego-preening, witless disaster.

Donna Lypchuk, who evidently writes feminist art reviews and concocts gags for Yuk Yuk's Komedy Kabaret, was commissioned by the theatre's artistic director Clarke Rogers to assemble the monstrosity.

It's billed as a "surreal, multi-media, panoramic portrait of life on Mean Street" (a play of words on Queen St., get it?). And Lypchuk is actually proud of the fact that its cast of 43 performers who portray weirdos, whores, rubbydubs, druggies, lesbians, gays, artists, would-be artists and other poseurs and kooks are mostly street people rather than professional actors.

It takes place in the garish, zebra-striped bar of a dive called the Paradise Hotel, and the characters include a shallow abstract artist called Captain War Hole; a blonde streetwalker called Lucy Fur; punkers named Minnie Mouth and Harold Tribune; and "an evil, vermin-type journalist, who is a newspaper arts critic named Elspeth Toothy." Isn't that clever?

Somewhere in the middle of the second act, a fat, pretentious filmmaker named Joan of Art asks another pretentious character: "Don't you hate amateurs who show their home movies in public?"

Walking out, I muttered to myself, "I sure do."

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"Family songs are roots"

Lullaby Lady soothes to sleep

By
HEATHER SOLOMON

MONTREAL —

Pat Carfra is probably the only recording artist in the world who is pleased when the sound engineers for her albums fall asleep on the job. And they usually do, nodding off to such rhythmic numbers as I'm Not Tired and Baby's Huggle.

"We have a good laugh in the studio when it happens," says Carfra, whose business is dreamland under the moniker The Lullaby Lady.

The Victoria resident recently launched another of her popular tours from her hometown of Montreal (other stops are Ottawa, Kingston and Toronto) by performing and giving a workshop at the Jewish Public Library, an appearance made possible by the Joseph and Ida Berman Foundation in memory of Norman Berman.

Cherished memories are Carfra's bread and butter. For over two decades, she's been collecting lullabies from the nostalgic recollections of 1-time children (some of them now grandparents themselves) who remember their mothers, babas and Great Aunt Sadies crooning by their bedsides.

It all began when she was a student nurse at the Royal Victoria Hospital in the night nursery for newborns. "I always loved to sing and couldn't resist the nursery's acoustics with its high ceilings and being all alone with the babies so I danced them around the room," she recalls.

"I realized then that certain songs were more soothing than Broadway showtunes. They had that steady foot-on-the-cradle rhythm. And I began learning them whenever I heard one that I liked."

When Carfra read a book by Canadian musicologist Barbara Cass-Beggs stating that parents weren't singing to their babies anymore, she set out, guitar in hand, to research the problem. She ended up being instrumental in solving it.

A teacher at her children's nursery school recruited Carfra to handle the music component of the curriculum, her first exposure to singing in public.

Pat Carfra

She then began singing for pre- and post-natal groups of parents. "I found out that there were three subgroups: people who sang without thinking twice about it, people who would attempt it but didn't know what to sing and people who thought they couldn't sing at all because someone in authority — a parent or teacher — at some time corked their voices by telling them they didn't sound good," she says.

"Though you may not like the sound of your own voice, your baby will. He just loves the attention."

Carfra blames such machines as record players for taking over the role of parents' own vocalizations. The less you use your voice, she warns, the more self-conscious you'll become about it until you'll be reluctant to sing even to your own child.

Her recording career came about after she taped several songs for prenatal class mothers who had complained that the lyric sheets she handed out didn't help with recalling the tunes.

"And we're such a culturally mixed nation that not everybody knows the same songs. On my first album I recorded Rozhinkes mit Mandlen translated into English as Raisins and Almonds. It's one of my favorites because there aren't too many lullabies written in a minor key and it's such a haunting song."

An entrepreneurial friend heard Carfra's experimental tape and steered her toward a professional recording studio where three albums have been cut, in 1982, 1984 and 1987. The first, Lullabies and Laughter, sold 30,000 copies; the second, Songs for Sleepyheads and Out-of-Beds (with the Bock/Harnick Fiddler On the Roof classic Sunrise, Sunset on it) is about to go gold and won an American Parents' Choice Award; the third album, Babes, Beasts and Birds, shows the same promise.

The albums all have one side of lullabies and one of activity-playsongs for waking hours to develop speech skills, language nd creativity. Hints are enclosed for handpuppet animation and gestures.

Versatile Victoria musician David Kaetz accompanies her on guitar and is responsible for most arrangements, but some songs are a capella simply to let listeners know that the voice alone is what's vital to a child. Carfra is in demand to give workshops for children's librarians, early childhood educators and parents across Canada and The States.

She also reaches out via Canada Post. Letters, which she invites at Lullaby Lady Productions, 181 Goward Rd., R.R. 7, Victoria, BC V8X 3X3, have been pouring in with more song suggestions.

"Talk to your family. Get some songs that have roots for you. Family songs are roots because you can carry them wherever you go," she notes, acknowledging the example of the beautiful tunes that have survived in the Diaspora. "It could establish a link for the child with grandparents, even if they live far away.

"People have asked me to do a multicultural recording singing in the original language of the song," she says. "The reason I haven't is because I want everyone to be able to learn and understand the words. And I'm hoping to keep nudging people not to forget to sing." Soon the rock (-a-bye) star will have the whole world singing.

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Limp lampoon lands little laughs

Walker needs to zip more zap into Beautiful City

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

When you go to see a comedy by Toronto playwright George F. Walker, you expect to see a wild and wacky lampoon of contemporary culture.

Sometimes the parody works with hilarious grotesqueness. It did so last season with the local production of *Zastrozzi*, Walker's satire of swashbuckling film and TV heroes of the Errol Flynn and *Zorro* ilk.

But sometimes, alas, his lampoons limp weakly.

I'm sorry to say that happens to be so in the case of his newest comedy, *Beautiful City*, which is playing until Nov. 1 at the Factory Theatre (125 Bathurst St. at Adelaide, 864-9971).

It takes a trenchant look at three types of extremist Torontonians who deserve to be kicked in the pants — greedy land developers, corrupt architects and upwardly mobile consumers gone rampantly haywire.

Unfortunately, though there are a few brilliantly wicked gag lines, Walker's takeoff doesn't quite come off.

It's like a 2nd-rate edition of Mad Magazine, in which the humor degenerates into broad slapstick, the characters into cartoon caricatures, and the malevolent satire winds up in the last act as a puddle of icky sentiment.

I won't give away the improbable plot, except to reveal that it's a whimsical fairy story. It involves an unscrupulous ring of land developers headed by a Rosedale-type Mafia matriarch.

And it also concerns the romance between a pricey architect gone to seed and the Cabbagetown cashier at Bargain Harold's who happens to be a witch with a heart of gold.

Director Bob White has allowed his talented cast of nine Toronto performers to get out of hand, and there's a tendency for some of them to ham up their lines outrageously, to the point that the humor loses its credibility.

However, I particularly liked Dean Hawes as the crass, double-talking developer of a $1.5 million Harbourfront shopping centre who has deluded himself into thinking his "vision" has turned him into "technically a good crook."

I also admired the comedy technique of that seasoned farceur, Peter Blais, in the role of a professional petty thief and porno salesman.

When questioned by a pretty, aerobics-exercising sociologist turned cop, he protests with a whine, "You talk weird. You don't talk the way a cop should talk."

Michelle Fisk, in the role of his questioner, replies crisply, "Cops who talk like cops are all dead. In sociological terms, we've learned to communicate with the 'shared concerns' of society's victims like you."

But these flickers of wit are too sporadic. Walker has half-built the structure of a potentially comic fantasy that still needs more carpentering.

Show satirizes apartheid policy

TORONTO —

Close to the beginning of his 1-man show, satirizing the idiocies of apartheid in South Africa, Pieter-Dirk Uys makes a confession.

The white South African turns to the audience at the University of Toronto's Hart House Theatre, where *Adapt Or Dye!* is running until Oct. 17. The paunchy, baldish actor-impersonator then grins and announces:

"I belong to two ch... races. I'm an Afrikaner. And I'm Jewish."

In fact, he belon... the universal race of gifted clowns who use humor to puncture the pomposities and human frailties of politicians and other blowhards.

The characters he skewers are a varied bunch. They range from that stolid neanderthal, South African President P. W. Botha, to that squeaky-voiced Black crusader, Archbishop Desmond Tutu. And stalking somewhere in between, wielding her black handbag like a hatchet, is British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

It takes a very talented funnyman like Peter Ustinov to transmute the grim politics of South Africa into an entertaining show. Uys is no Ustinovian wit, and I'd say he only half succeeds.

I found myself admiring his superb impersonations, but confused at times by his Afrikaner references. It strikes me as a show that would be most appreciated by a specialized audience — namely, the 30,000 white South African exiles now in Toronto, many of them Jews.

I laughed most at his wicked portrait of the "liberal" white hostess who confides, "There are two things I can't tolerate about South Africa — apartheid and the Blacks."

It's sad, mirthless humor that eventually tends to pall. — F.R.

British flick hooks viewers

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The world's oldest profession is revealed with a touch of bemusement in *Personal Services*.

Now playing at Cineplex Odeon, theatres, Terry Jones' British film pokes fun at the hypocritical attitudes attending prostitution and the role of sex in marriage.

It's all done in a breezy, light-hearted, slightly wry style, without really giving offence to anyone.

Loosely based on the shenanigans of Cynthia Payne, a London madame whose trial last year caused a tittering sensation, *Personal Services* revolves around Christine Painter (Julie Walters), an upwardly mobile hooker cum-waitress who aspires to a better life.

Intelligent and ambitious, Christine sublets a dingy flat to a prostitute who is forever behind in her rent. When she abruptly quits on her, Christine, who supports a son at private school, decides to service the elderly, somewhat eccentric customers herself.

Her clients represent a cross-section of British society, from a proper judge who prefers kinky sex to a timid artisan who has not had sexual relations with his wife for the past 23 years.

Diligent and conscientious, Christine satisfies them all. Together with her steely-eyed friend (Shirley Stelfox), they rent more commodious quarters in a nicer part of London, bringing them closer to their cherished goal of financial success. The only fly in the ointment is a police raid on their house of ill-repute.

Personal Services takes the pragmatic view that prostitution, however distasteful it may be to some, is a social necessity that should be carefully regulated rather than stupidly suppressed. "It's just like a Tupperware party, but I sell sex instead of plastic plates," says Christine's friend flippantly.

That statement is, of course, open to debate. But it distills the essence of *Personal Services* Whether we like it or not, prostitution has an insatiable market, and ham-fisted attempts to stifle it are doomed to failure.

Julie Walters is terrific as Christine, while Shirley Stelfox is deliciously ribald as her co-hostess. Danny Schiller, who plays Christine's gloomy transvestite maid, is amusing in a typically understated British way.

This film has a point to make and it succeeds in making it rather well.

Cast of Fiddler goes to NS shul

GLACE BAY, NS —

Sixty visiting cast members of Fiddler on the Roof were hosted for a Shabbat morning service here at the local Orthodox synagogue.

"They were enthused with the services, our 20-minute explanation of traditional customs, and with the kiddush that followed," reports Dr. Philip Simon.

The community's reception of the cast was lauded by the mayor and by the director of Festival on the Bay, in which the play participated.

"Despite the absence of a rabbi," said Simon, "the community is keeping its synagogue doors open for all appropriate occasions."

In the past seven weeks, graduations, birthdays, and other simchas have been highlighted at services followed by kiddush, he said.

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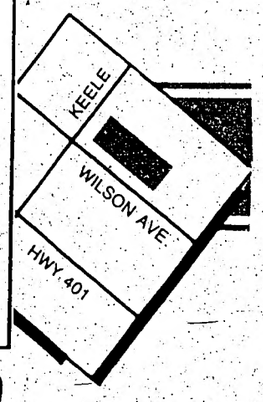

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Arts

Dayan's paintings based on Song of Songs

BC artist's work on permanent exhibit at Baycrest

This is a work from Linda Dayan's painting series, A Bride's Plea.

By
GARY POGROW

VANCOUVER — Vancouver artist Linda Dayan's 18-painting series The Bride's Plea, a permanent exhibit at Toronto's Baycrest Centre, says the work took five years to research and over a year to paint.

Dayan stresses the importance of light in the series, which is based on the Song of Songs. "Light is life," she says. "It is what we thrive on, both physically and emotionally.

"To me the light of Torah, particularly the Song of Songs, which is the most profane and most holy, is about the purification of oneself and love."

For Dayan, these paintings of a chassidic wedding illustrate the reciprocal love not only between a man and a woman, but also the love between God and creation. "We are indeed the bride."

The work is also a call to be whole. That is why she is pleased that The Bride's Plea has a permanent home. Dayan is the daughter-in-law of Ben and Molly Kaminker of North York who donated the paintings to Baycrest.

The medical community is now acknowledging what artists like Dayan have always known — a warm atmosphere of paintings and colors is one of the primary healing influences for recovery and renewal.

The artist is proud that her art is "a healing work." In Vancouver, she has a mural at the Haro Park Hospital and Retirement Home, a collection of some of her works at the Louis Brier Home and a mural at the University of BC's Hospital of Health and Science.

Private study

Dayan, who was born in Barkerville, BC in 1947, won her first art award when she was 14. In 1966 she moved to Vancouver and began a program of private study. In 1979, she presented her first exhibition which was held at this city's Four Seasons Hotel.

She graduated from the Emily Carr College of Art in painting in 1982 and in printmaking in 1983. Dayan has been exhibited in over 40 venues and her work has been included in 14 corporate collections and projects.

Music has become important to Dayan, who creates rhythms of lines and colors. She is influenced by chords and dissonance and always movement which returns her to her theme — a movement toward light and understanding.

"The Bride's Plea is a symphonic prayer for peace" said Dayan. "It enables everyone to play their role contributing to the symphony of creation."

Her next two projects are: Hornby — a series of paintings of summer on the BC Island — and the Hebrew Alphabet — a series in watercolors and gold illumination.

Bonds, BB join forces to honor Rabbi Baskin

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom will be honored at this year's annual B'nai B'rith — State of Israel Bonds Breakfast, 9.15 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 1, at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Guest speaker will be the distinguished Belgian-born Zionist, Jacques Torczyner.

Billed as "a very special breakfast," the occasion marks two 40th anniversaries next year: that of Baskin, currently in his 39th year as spiritual leader of Anshe Sholom, and, of course, that of the State of Israel.

This is also, notes Baskin, his 25th year as CJN book reviewer. His reviews have appeared, "unfailingly, with very rare exceptions," every week for the past 25 years — surely, he observes, "some kind of record." He is also a frequent contributor to the book section of The Hamilton Spectator.

Born in New Jersey and raised in Brooklyn, where his father was rabbi of a large congregation, Baskin gained his BA at Brooklyn College and received his Master of Hebrew literature degree from Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion.

Rabbi Bernard Baskin

Widely known for his community work, the rabbi has received numerous awards for his interfaith activities, notably the B'nai B'rith Humanitarian Award and the Good Servant Award of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, for whom he has served as national Jewish chairman. In 1979 he was chosen as Hamilton Big Brother of the year and he is also a former Negev Dinner honoree.

In 1969, Baskin and the late former governor of the Bank of Canada, Louis Rasminsky, were the first Jews to receive an honorary doctorate from McMaster University, and in 1972 he was awarded the Doctor of Divinity degree by the Hebrew Union College.

Baskin is currently president of the Canadian Council of Liberal Rabbis and he is also a member of the board of governors of McMaster University and sits on the boards of the Art Gallery of Hamilton and the library.

Under the rabbi's leadership, Temple Anshe Sholom has become noted for its Sunday Breakfast Club lectures, and he has also led six trips to Israel.

Baskin is married, the father of three children and grandfather of three.

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Jacques Torczyner, who has lived in the U.S. since 1940, was one of the 18 persons who met with David Ben Gurion on July 1, 1945 to initiate the Friends of the Haganah, which organized the support for the Jewish defence forces in Palestine.

From 1965 to 1970, Torczyner served five consecutive terms as president of the Zionist Organization of America and from 1974-1977 he was chairman of the American Section of the World Jewish Congress.

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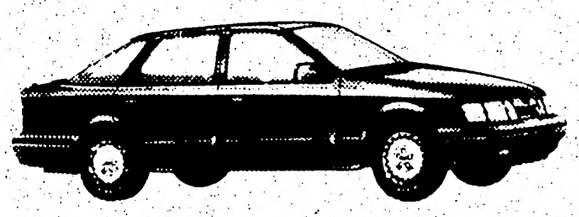

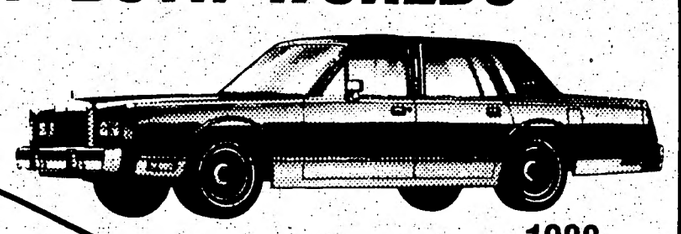

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Bahamian attraction modelled on Eilat's

Walk to the bottom of the sea

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

NASSAU —

Now you can go to the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean without getting wet at Coral World, a new visitor attraction close to the capital of the Bahamas islands. Coral World is a 16-storey observation tower with a view of Nassau, its beaches and one of its nearby small islands, Silver Cay.

After descending a spiral staircase from the surface, you enter a circular viewing room with 12 large windows through which you can see all varieties of fish, from barracuda to parrot fish, butterfly fish and clown fish. You'll also look at colorful varieties of coral, a shark pool where the big fish are fed daily by scuba divers at 11 a.m.

Of special interest to readers of The Canadian Jewish News is the fact that the concept of Coral World comes from Eilat, Israel, where the first one was constructed. There is a second one at Coki Island in the United States Virgin Islands. Coral World at Nassau is the third such undersea attraction.

The Bahamas are popular with winter vacationing Canadians because they are among the closest warm weather destinations, about three hour non-stop flights from either Toronto or Montreal and some islands only a half-hour flight from Miami. Another factor for those who plan to come to the Nassau area is that until mid-December Canadian currency is accepted at par at some of the Nassau area resort hotels.

There are some 700 islands which make up the archipelago just off the coast of Florida; some are uninhabited bits of rock, others have some of the most luxurious resort accommodations to be found anywhere. The islands are known for the miles of white sand beaches, the excellent deep sea fishing, the spectacular reefs teeming with tropical fish, duty-free shopping on main islands, gambling casinos, sailboat races and history dating back to the discovery of the Americas in the 15th century.

Throughout the islands, diving among coral reefs is a major attraction. Some small hotels on such islands as Eleuthera, Bimini, and Andros have special diving programs among nearby reefs and shipwrecks. Even near Nassau on Lyford Cay are diving areas which drop to 6,000 feet (1,830 metres) with a sheer wall of black coral and sea sponges.

If you are not into the diving sport you can still get a good look at the sea bottom by taking one or other of the glass-bottom boat tours in Nassau Harbor, at Freeport on Grand Bahamas Island, and from some of the hotels on New Providence Island where the capital of Nassau is located.

Most short-stay visitors to the Bahamas come to New Providence or Grand Bahama islands to luxuriate at the large international-style hotels with their evening entertainment of dance groups, dance bands, stars of stage, screen and television. Here too are the government supervised gambling casinos, which attract many who come just for an evening of blackjack, roulette, or dice from the nearby Miami area.

For the sightseer there is much to see in Nassau, as this travel reporter has learned on several trips there. Nassau is a major port for cruise ships, and you can often find six or more at a time anchored off the downtown waterfront.

It is close by the main shopping area, Bay St., which is lined with one duty-free shop after another, with everything from liquor to video recorders. In between are various white government buildings, a statue of Queen Victoria, botanical gardens, the Court House, a museum, the House of Assembly (Parliament), a straw market, and some blocks inland the remains of Fort Fincastle built almost 200 years ago. You can reach the fort from the shopping area by climbing the 65 steep steps of the Queen's Staircase which were hacked out of the black rock by slave labor when the fort was built.

(While there is no synagogue at present in Nassau, there is an old Jewish cemetery as part of the main cemetery at Shirley St. and Lovers' Lane in Nassau. There is a synagogue in Freeport, Grand Bahama Island — Luis Torres Synagogue on East Sunrise Highway.)

Exhibit a real howler

TORONTO —

Visitors will have an unparalleled opportunity for close proximity viewing in a naturalistic setting of a creature that has been feared, loathed — and admired — more than any other animal, at the Metro Toronto Zoo's new exhibit for Arctic wolves.

The 2,824 square metre exhibit has been several years in the planning. Called Wolfwood, it offers viewing for guests, who can now observe the animals up close from the path, or from the Monorail.

Wolves have an important and useful place in the chain of life. In the wild, they help keep herds healthy and within viable size limits by diminishing the numbers of the sick and the young. While they are highly effective hunters, it usually takes many attempts before a kill is made; they are not the voracious killers that myth would have us believe.

The truth is that the wolf is a rather shy animal. Within its pack, regulated by family and dominance ties, the wolf is a highly social animal. Each pack cares for its young and old members. When a litter is born, the adult members of the pack all take turns watching the pups, as well as regurgitating food for them.

The Arctic wolf is found in northern Manitoba, Keewatin, the Northwest Territories, and the northernmost part of Ontario.

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Travel

Caverns evoke drama of Bar Kochba's last stand

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

Masada has long attracted the attention of tourists because it symbolizes the historic last stand of our ancestors against overwhelming odds, in a dramatic mountain-top setting. A few weeks ago we visited a newly discovered site which recalls another starkly tragic event in the last throes of the struggle against the mighty Roman empire.

In a sense, the drama and the thrill are more deeply felt here by the present day spectator because the actual physical setting is almost completely intact — all underground.

The earliest glimpse of what happened is to be found in the records of the Roman historian, Dio Cassius who, writing some 1,800 years ago, told of the Jews' last struggles against the Romans in Palestine, 65 years after the Temple had been destroyed. The Jews "took up favorable positions in the country and fortified them with underground passages with walls so that they could use them as shelters in times of trouble, and move secretly from place to place underground. . . ."

That vast subterranean complex, containing hundreds of inter-connected subterranean chambers — some archeologists think there may be thousands of them — is located in the rolling foothills of southern Judea, west of Hebron. It is today possible to go underground and walk through the tortuous passages where Bar Kochba's followers made their last stand.

The Hazan Caverns are located on the grounds of Moshav Amatzia, not far from Kiryat Gat. They were first found in 1980 when a boy from the moshav, clambering through the brush, fell into a cave and discovered that tunnels, deep below the surface, led to other, inter-connecting caverns. The archeologists took over, and the history of the place was established.

Explore tortuous passages

The geological formation here is largely chalk and soft limestone, and our ancestors excavated into the hillsides some 200 years before Bar Kochba, and 140 years before the siege and destruction of Jerusalem, setting up olive presses where they could work in cool and comfort. Perhaps they also wanted to be away from the prying eyes of Roman tax collectors, who levied heavy duties on the manufacture of the precious oil.

They continued living in the area for up to 60 years after the Temple fell, and rallied to the banner of Bar Kochba when he declared his revolt against the Romans. Their underground workshops were quickly converted into hideaways. They burrowed through the soft stone, linking up one chamber with another. The connections were deliberately narrow and winding, so as to make passage difficult if not impossible for armed and equipped soldiers.

As we wormed our way through the complex, today electrically illuminated, we saw the triangular niches at intervals where the Jews placed their small oil lamps. We can understand why no Roman soldier would have dared enter the vast labyrinth, not knowing what surprise awaited him at the next turn, or indeed, which passage led to safety and which deeper into the mountain side. Even today visitors are not permitted to enter the network of grottoes without a guide, arranged in advance.

What happened to the defenders in the end? We don't know. Were they starved into submission? Did the Romans smoke them out with fire? The abandoned caves were taken over some hundreds of years later, during Byzantine times, when the local population again worked the olive press facilities. Then again they were abandoned, until found by the young Amatazia boy in our times.

The moshav decided to develop the site, with encouragement and help from various government agencies, but on condition that there be no reconstruction or "faking." The physical structure was left exactly as found, except that it was purged of the dust and debris of centuries, and illuminated.

The 20th century visitor finds it easy to picture his own ancestors here, burrowed up underground in the last desperate and ill-fated struggle to re-establish Judean independence. The cause for which they had fought went into hibernation thereafter in dreams and prayers and hopes for over 1,800 years until the creation of the State of Israel.

Amatzia is a small moshav with only about 30 families but, somewhat in the Bar Kochba tradition, they are affiliated with the Herut movement. For them, promotion of the Hazan Caverns is not just a tourist business; it is also an ideology.

Yeshiva conducts prayers at the Kotel Hakatan

JERUSALEM —

The "Kotel Hakatan," a small section of the Western Wall several hundred feet from the main Kotel plaza, has recently been transformed into a site for celebrating simchas, complete with an adjoining banquet hall.

The Ateret Cohanim Yeshiva, based in the Old City's Moslem Quarter, has become the first and only group to conduct regular prayer services at the Kotel Hakatan, the only other part of the Western Wall with an open courtyard.

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Ablaze with fall foliage

New England shows its true colors

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

FRANCONIA NOTCH, NH —

New England is ablaze with autumn colors and the numbers of visitors arriving for the foliage season surpass even those that come to this scenic area during the entire ski season.

The Kancamagus Highway along Route 112 in New Hampshire is noted for its scenic grandeur, and guidebooks call this area of the White Mountains "the most scenic road in New England."

Before entering the Kancamagus route, stop at Franconia Notch State Park. Just north of Lincoln on Route 3, there is an 8-mile mountain pass which is rich in geological wonders and contains some of the most spectacular scenery in the White Mountains.

The Old Man of the Mountains, also known as The Great Stone Face, immortalized by Nathanieal Hawthorne and Daniel Webster, is a natural rock formation. Discovered in 1805, this sculpture was formed by a series of geologic happenings that began an estimated 200 million years ago.

Majestically located 1,200 feet above Profile Lake, the Old Man is made of five separate granite ledges arranged horizontally to form a man's profile. From chin to forehead, the profile measures about 40 feet and is 25 feet wide. Other ledges form the nose, lips and chin.

Soft browns and yellows, vibrant reds and oranges of the fall foliage cover the lower edges and provide a delightful sight for photographers and artists.

A scenic natural mountain pass is located between the towering peaks of The Kinsman and Franconia Mountain Ranges.

Nearby, the Flume Gorge provides a magnificent sight. For centuries, the gorge remained hidden in the forests. In 1908 the first white person, an elderly woman called "Aunt" Jess Guernsey, discovered this miniature Grand Canyon.

The gorge, which is almost 800 feet long and 70 feet high at the base of Mt. Liberty, was created by natural forces at the end of the last ice age. It terminates at Avalanche Falls, a 25-foot waterfall.

The Pemigewasset River cascades into The Pool, a deep basin surrounded by high cliffs and transversed by a wooden foot bridge.

Marked walking trails with signs explaining natural features lead to many points of interest. A 16-foot-in-circumference pine tree, 175 feet long, supports the small covered bridge on the Wildwood Path within The Flume. Spanning a cliff 130 feet high, the bridge offers a view of the 40-foot-deep pool and a panoramic view of the area.

Franconia Notch State Park offers numerous other spectacular views — Echo Lake at an elevation of 1,931 feet, an aerial tramway, and facilities for fishing, hiking, camping or taking spectacular photographs.

It is an all year recreation area but particularly appealing in late fall.

Hakhel assembly reinstated to mark Israel's 40th year

JERUSALEM —

In the first official event marking Israel's 40th anniversary, the Hakhel pilgrimage and assembly was recently reinstated here for the first time since the Jews returned from exile.

The source of the "Hakhel" assembly is found in the Book of Deuteronomy when the event was the special encounter between the highest authorities of the Land and the People. Men, women and children were called together at the peak of the pilgrimage, on the happiest holiday, Succoth, in order to hear the king read the law to them, the Mishneh Torah.

The encounters occurred every seven years at the culmination of the year of Shmitta, the sabbatical year.

President Chaim Herzog opened the ceremonies with a reading from the Book of Deuteronomy in almost the very same way that it was done 2,000 years ago.

Following him, the Chief Rabbis read, as well as the leaders of the government in the assembly representing the gathering of Jews from Eastern and Western cultures.

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Business Outlook

Formula for taking out interest in early years

Revenue Canada rules limit RRIF withdrawal

The Readers Ask:

By MURRAY SHERR, BUNNY BERGSTEIN & EARL CRACKOWER

Question: Can I arrange an RRIF to withdraw the interest earnings on the principal and leave the total capital intact to age 90?

Answer: No you cannot do that. The rules of RRIFs, as set down by Revenue Canada, are that you must take at least an amount of money that qualifies as the minimum amount under their formula.

The formula is 90 minus your age, divided into the balance of your fund. Therefore if you are 70 and have $50,000 in the fund, the formula would give you 90 — 70 = 20. Dividing 20 into $50,000 equals $2,500. When you reach 85 the formula would be 90 — 85 = 5. Divide $50,000 by 5 = $10,000.

As you can see, the early years will allow you to withdraw all the interest. However, by the time you reach age 80, the formula will force you to start taking out principal as well. This will enable you to conform with the other rule; that is, that RRIFs must be completely cleared out by age 90.

Question: I have read that the income received from an annuity can be split into taxable and non-taxable portions. I have several annuities, and I have been putting the total amount received into income for tax purposes. Have I been reading my T4s incorrectly?

Answer: Not likely. The question of whether the income from an annuity is fully taxable or partly taxable depends on the source of the money with which the annuity was purchased.

If the purchase was made with funds from a Registered Pension Plan, an RRSP, a Deferred Profit Sharing Plan or a lump sum non-taxed severance payment, the income from the annuity is fully taxable. The reason is that the funds used have never been taxed during the accumulation period.

If, however, the annuity is a prescribed annuity and therefore purchased from funds that have passed through the taxation system, the income will be divided on your T4 into non-taxable and taxable portions. The non-taxable portions are your return of principal, previously taxed. The taxable portion is deemed to be the new interest earned on this principal.

Incidentally, such annuities usually provide a favorable rate of return when compared to other investments such as GICs, bonds and T-bills after calculating the income tax factor.

Question: I am contemplating the purchase of an RRIF within the next month. Are they protected by the $60,000 insurance? Are they creditor proof?

Answer: Most financial institutions such as banks, trust companies and credit unions are members of the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation. That means that RRIFs are insured to a maximum of $60,000. If the RRIF grows, as some do, beyond the $60,000, the excess will not be insured.

Also, no investment period over 5 years is covered under the CDIC If you want the highest rate for 10 years or an investment term to age 90, you will not be insured for any of your money.

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Canucks on Yeshiva board

NEW YORK —

Business leaders Melvyn Dobrin and Gershon Stern of Montreal and Joseph Kerzner and Nathan Starr of Toronto have been named founding members of the board of directors of Yeshiva University's new Sy Syms School of Business in New York, board chairman Hal Beretz has announced.

The four Canadians join a prestigious group of business and financial leaders who will chart the course for the Syms School, which opened recently as the first business school under Jewish auspices in the Western Hemisphere.

Dobrin is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Steinberg's Inc. He is national chairman in Canada for State of Israel Bonds.

Stern, president of Montrose Builders Ltd. and Eastern Canada Shopping Centres Ltd., is an alumnus and Century Benefactor of Yeshiva University and a member of its board of trustees. He and his wife have established the Gershon and Merle Stern Chair in Banking and Finance at the Syms School.

Kerzner is president of Kerzner Properties, Inc. He is a Century Benefactor of Yeshiva University and has established the Joseph Kerzner Chair in Accounting at the Syms School.

Starr is president of Nathan Starr & Associates Ltd. He is a Century Guardian of Yeshiva University.

The Sy Syms School of Business is named to honor the chairman of the board of Syms Corp. and chairman of the Development Committee of Yeshiva University's board of trustees.

The Syms School was eatablished in response to growing student interest in the fields of finance, management, accounting, and computer science.

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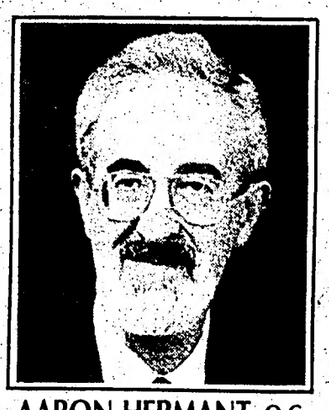

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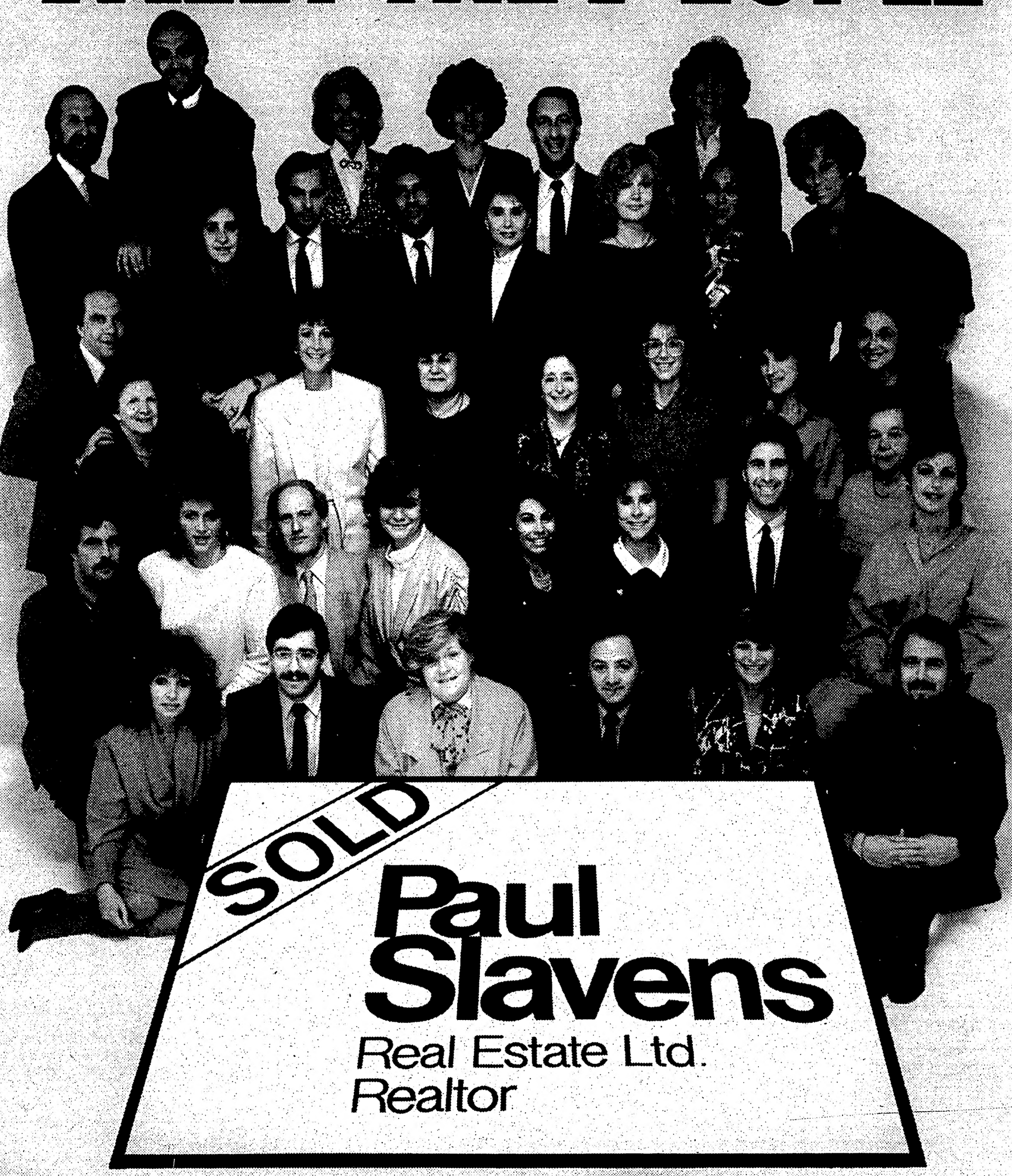

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Lack of resources concerns Donwood president

Drug treatment centre "caring community"

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Times and people may have changed in the past two decades, but the problems of alcohol and drug dependency have remained the same — only the method of treating such abuses have changed, says the head of The Donwood Institute.

Dr. David Korn, president and chief executive officer of The Donwood, said that 20 years ago it was thought that the best method of treating patients recovering from "chemical abuses" was in a residential hospital-type setting.

To accommodate such treatment, The Donwood — a 47-bed hospital that deals with patients suffering from all types of drug impairments — was established.

Korn said that today it is recognized that some patients can participate in treatment outside the hospital and so there is a shift away from residential to community-based programs.

These include community outreach and day and evening programs for the least impaired. There is also family education to help families deal with a patient's dependency problem.

The ultimate goal of The Donwood is to help individuals overcome their chemical dependencies by "assisting them in evaluating their behavior and habits and providing them and their families with an understanding of alternative, chemically free lifestyles."

This is done by taking the individual's physical, social, psychological, occupational, spiritual and nutritional needs into account. And said Korn, "Every case is completely different."

He said the hospital currently sees about 100 new patients a month and, with a 3-month waiting list, has outgrown its resources. Therefore, the hospital — which he describes as a "caring community" — has initiated a fund raising campaign.

The end result will be a new building on the insitute's 10-acres of land which will allow for more leisure, recreational and group rooms. It will also allow The Donwood to create programs for native groups, ethnics, women and other sub-groups.

Dr. David Korn

Korn said that while the hospital has Jewish patients, it does not go into a patient's ethnic background. All that it insists of its patients is that they remain chemically free once they arrive.

Korn said that while cocaine abuse is a growing concern, alcohol remains the biggest problem at The Donwood.

However, he is pleased with the institute's success rate. He said that of all alcohol-dependent patients, 31% remain abstinent from the day they arrive, 26% suffer a relapse but eventually become abstinent, 24% cut back on their drinking and 19% continue drinking.

"I feel proud to be here," said Korn, who joined the institute three months ago. "It has been one of the most innovative centres for drug and alcohol rehabilitation in North America."

Prior to assuming the institute's top post, Korn served as chief medical officer of health for the Ontario ministry of health. His career has also taken him to many corners of the world where he has had the opportunity to interact with many different peoples.

Leaving behind his medical practice and native Toronto in 1971, Korn became a government medical officer in Zambia. Moving on a few years later, he became a consultant epidemiologist for the World Health Organization's smallpox eradication program in Ethiopia.

Finally in 1976 Korn returned to North America to assume a teaching position at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine.

For further information on The Donwood, call (416) 425-3930.

Small-town communities declining

Saskatoon: Jewish life thrives

By
MYRON LOVE

SASKATOON —
This city's small Jewish community continues to be a bright spot in a province where Jewish life has been disappearing.

Where once places like Melville and Melfort and Edenbridge and Prince Albert had thriving Jewish communities, the only ones left of any appreciable size and vitality are in the major centres, Saskatoon and Regina.

Both have Jewish populations of about 350-400, a shul and a rabbi. Regina's Congregation Beth Jacob continues to follow the Orthodox rites. Saskatoon's Agudas Israel, however, has moved toward Reform over the years.

Saskatoon's Jewish community has had an eventful year. The creation of the Raoul Wallenberg Park behind the synagogue is well under way, says community president-elect Dr. Earl Freidin.

He also reports that a Jewish exhibit, co-sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Jewish Historical Society of Winnipeg and a Ukrainian organization, was held at Saskatoon's Ukrainian Museum.

The community's annual Holocaust Memorial Service had a "tremendous turnout," Freidin added.

Jews settle here lately who have become involved in the community," Freidin stated.

"We still have the same number of families here that we had 10 years ago," he said. "The major problem we have to tackle is that we are losing our knowledge of Judaism as we have become more secular."

Regina's Jewish scene this past year was marked by five bar mitzvahs in May and June. The community is currently preparing for 1989 Homecoming Celebrations. As well, a social committee has been organized to try to add some vibrancy to the community.

The Jewish decline, however, continues in other areas of Saskatoon.

While North Battleford still has a chazzan and can field a minyan, Melfort's Torah scrolls have been moved to Saskatoon.

Prince Albert's three or four surviving Jewish families closed their shul last fall and sent their Torah scrolls, memorial plaque and other artifacts south to Saskatoon, too (the Torahs are going to a new shul being built by 30 families in Fort McMurray in northern Alberta).

Freidin said that the 12 families which comprise the Moose Jaw Jewish community (a half-hour drive west of Regina) will be folding after the High Holidays.

"My 85-year-old father has been doing the services there on Yom Tov for the last few years, and he is finding it too hard to continue," he said.

Outreach program organized

Still running is a multicultural display — A Matter of Heart — at the Diefenbaker Centre in which the Jewish community is represented. Coming to the Diefenbaker Centre is a travelling exhibit, sponsored by the Bronfman Foundation, entitled Out of the Ashes, a look at the Jewish Holocaust survivors who settled in Canada.

Saskatoon now has an official Congress representative, David Green, based in its midst. Green has organized an outreach program to the smaller Jewish communities and a Jewish Music Festival.

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Montrealer recounts "illegal" Exodus voyage

By
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Lina Lebovits stands beside photos of journey of the Exodus at the exhibition Return to Life.

MONTREAL — Lina Lebovits (nee Koch) was an orphaned 13-year-old schoolgirl, living with an "aliya kibbutz" in Lindenfels, West Germany when the shlichim from Palestine arrived in June, 1947.

"We didn't know where we were going. We were not told anything," Lebovits recalled. By train and truck, she and the other approximately 25 orphaned youngsters from her kibbutz travelled to the south of France, where they remained in a displaced persons camp for a few weeks awaiting the time they could proceed to Palestine.

In July, Lebovits and her fellow kibbutzniks gathered at the Mediterranean port of de Bok to board a battered little American river steamer appropriately called Exodus-1947. They were among 4,500 Jewish refugees packed onto the vessel headed for Palestine as part of the "illegal" immigration movement.

The Exodus was just one of 63 ships that sailed clandestinely from Europe for Palestine between 1945 and 1948 in defiance of the British blockade. But, because of the unfavorable world attention the Exodus incident attracted, this boatload of Holocaust refugees pitted against the greatest navy on earth did more to finally secure the independence of Israel than any other.

At the end of September, Exodus passengers held a 40th anniversary reunion in Israel. Although Lebovits, now a 53-year-old housewife living in St. Laurent, could not make it, her heart was with them.

Born in Tarnopol, Poland, Lebovits was the only member of her immediate family to survive after the liquidation of the ghetto set up in that town after the German occupation. Until liberation in March, 1944, she was hidden by Polish villagers and then went to the town of Snoviec where she joined the Hashomer Hatzair Zionist youth movement and its "kibbutz," one of many such communal groups for young people designed to prepare them for life in the Jewish state-to-be.

Together, they journeyed to Lindenfels, near Frankfurt, in 1946.

"We left France very early in the morning. It was very crowded, almost suffocating. It was summer and very hot on the Mediterranean. There were a lot of sick people; they came from DP camps all over Europe," Lebovits remembered.

As soon as the Exodus passed into international waters, British destroyers were waiting to intercept. "They shouted over loudspeakers to return or the boat will be boarded by force. They kept warning us we can't enter Palestine," said Lebovits.

The captains of the Exodus, however, forged on. According to Howard Sachar's The Course of Modern Jewish History, six British destroyers and one cruiser trailed the Exodus for five days. Once the vessel approached Palestine territorial waters, the British closed in and boarded, but not without a struggle.

"There was a lot of hand-to-hand fighting. Unarmed, many people on the boat threw heavy cans of tomato juice at the British. There were a lot of injuries on both sides."

Sachar wrote that the DPs fought off the boarding party for several hours. "Eventually the British were compelled to use machine guns and gas bombs, killing three Jews and wounding 100."

The thousands aboard did not realize that British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin had determined "to make an example of this ship" in a bid to end the illegal immigration. Other intercepted refugee boats had been sent to Cyprus; the Exodus passengers were returned to Europe.

The commandeered Exodus was taken to the port of Haifa. "It was a Friday afternoon, I remember. We could see people standing on the roofs waving at us."

After the Exodus docked, the passengers were unloaded and searched for sharp objects, Lebovits said. "Then we were disinfected with DDT and reloaded onto three British boats. We set sail the same night.

"We thought we were going to Cyprus, but there were representatives of the Jewish Agency on board who told us we were being sent back to France."

If conditions were bad coming over on the Exodus, they were worse on Lebovits' ship, the Empire Rival. "We were all herded into one hall below deck, about 1,500 of us — men, women and children. British soldiers guarded us from above.

"The heat was terrible, it was airless and there was no privacy. We slept on the floor all together." It took more than a week to reach France.

Once docked in their port of departure, the refugees refused to disembark, determined that it was Palestine or nothing for them. They stayed aboard the three ships for two weeks in protest. The French refused to comply with the British request that the refugees be ordered off the boats.

The British then decided to take the refugees back to DP camps in the British Zone of West Germany, stopping for a while in Gibraltar. The Exodus passengers' odyssey lasted in total seven weeks, from the time they left France to their landing in Germany.

"There we could be removed from the boats by force," said Lebovits. "We lived in wooden huts, surrounded by barbed wire and armed guards. For a young girl who had lost her family and had been shifted from one place to another, it was hell. The war had just ended and I thought I had come out of everything; I felt I was back again in it."

The idea of returning victims of the Holocaust to German soil earned Britain international condemnation and hastened the United Nations' decision to create a Jewish state in Palestine. Later that year, Lebovits was invited by an uncle in a DP camp in Linz, Austria to join him there. Eight months later, on Oct. 1, 1948 at the age of 15, she arrived in Montreal with a group of war orphans sponsored by Canadian Jewish Congress.

Lebovits thus became separated from the other thousands of Exodus survivors, including her group of kibbutzniks, who were taken to Israel after the state was declared.

"As far as I know I'm the only one from the Exodus who did not go to Israel; all the members of my kibbutz are living in Israel still." About 3,500 persons attended the Exodus reunion in Israel.

Lebovits, the mother of three grown children, has no regrets though. "I'm very grateful to the Canadian government for bringing me here and paying for everything, and in particular to Congress who put me through school and taught me English."

She says she is not bitter about her ordeal. "The only bitterness I felt was when we reached Haifa and were so close to the city we could almost touch it, but were not allowed off the boat. I wanted so much to go to Palestine."

Lebovits did eventually make it to Israel — as a tourist — five times.

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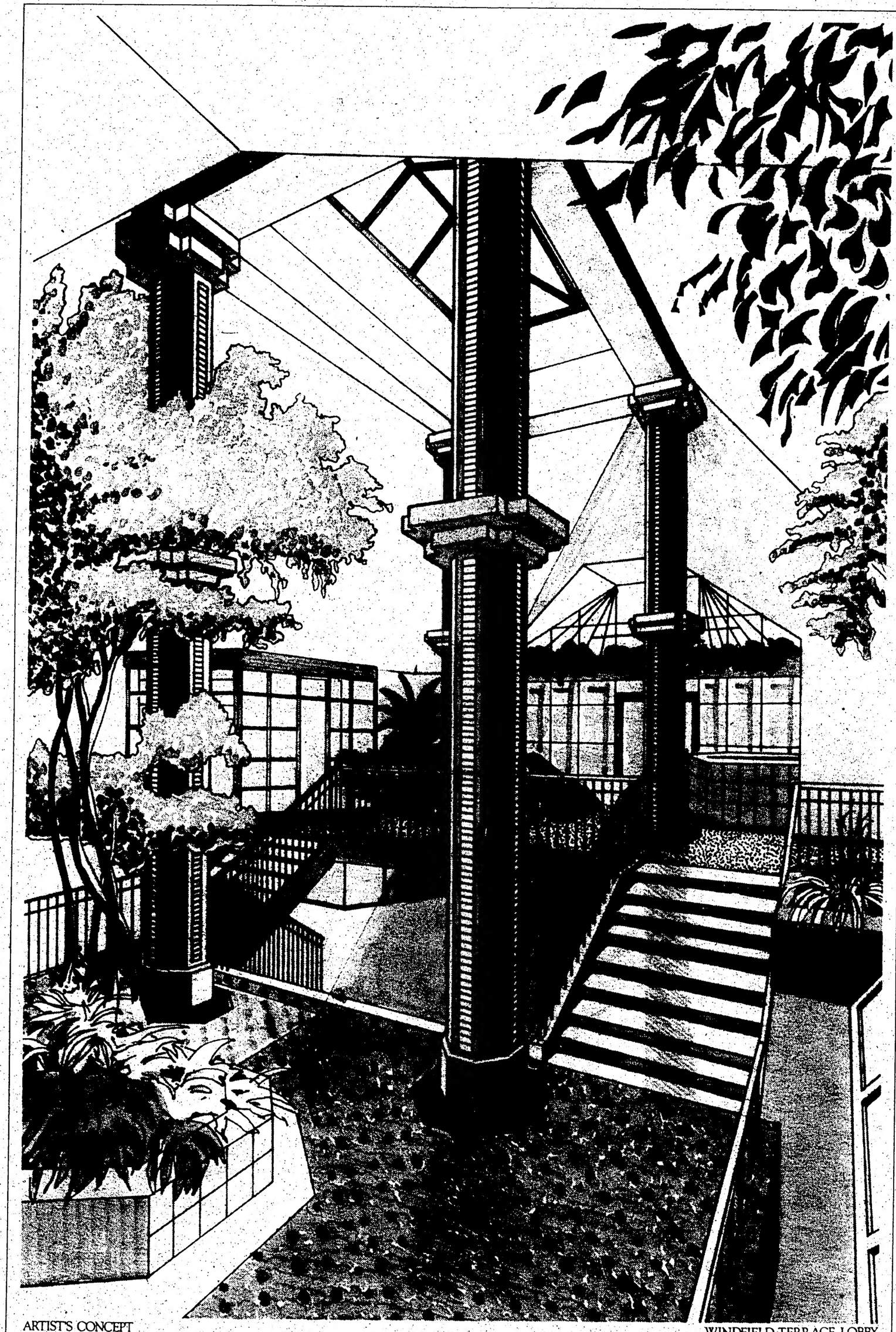

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